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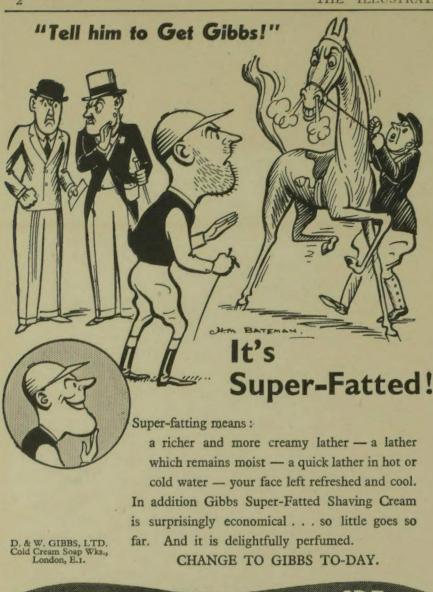
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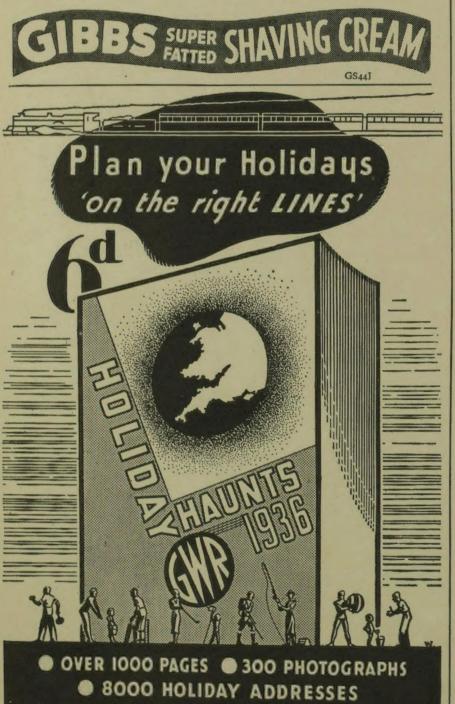
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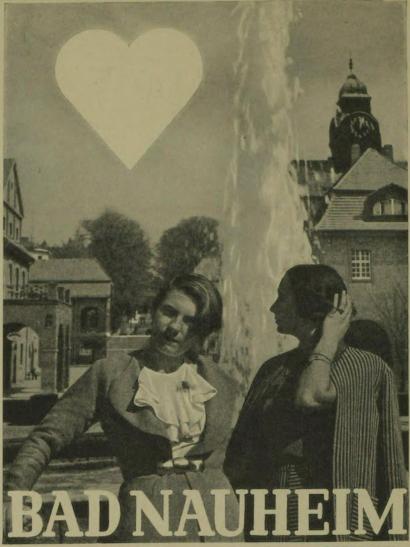
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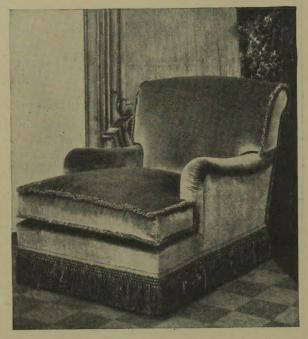
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"I DREAMT THAT I DWELT IN MARBLE HALLS."

BY GEORGE BELCHER, A.R.A.

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By G. K. CHESTERTON.

SOME of the things said recently, about bombing from the air in modern war, remind me curiously of controversial remarks which I made on this very page long ago. I will not here discuss the international problem, beyond expressing a mild astonishment that it seems to be regarded as a new problem. I myself, looking back on the long years during which I have cumbered this paper, have the best reason for realising how very old a problem it is by this time. When the new scientific methods of war were first introduced by Germany, which always

prided itself and was praised by its admirers as the spiritual home of science, I took the liberty of disputing the proposition that practical patriotic necessity obliged us to accept such methods. We did accept such methods; and then at least chemical armaments were an admitted part of armaments. But since I remember that very old scandal against Prussia, I cannot but smile when it starts up again as an entirely new scandal against Italy. On this very page I myself offended several patriots by doubting the doctrine of "fighting the enemy with his own weapons"; urging that civilised man does not eat cannibals; or bite sharks; or sting wasps. But I am not recalling matter now in relation to practical politics, least of all foreign policy; though really practical patriotism was then generally supposed to demand the waging of such "scientific war" against the foreigner. I am here only recalling the argument, because it happened to contain some very curious things; rather character-istic of most modern arguments. The queer thing about controversy to-day is that men make a point merely because it is part of a controversy; without worrying about whether it is a part of a philosophy. The advocate is always satisfied with clearing his client; rather than making the law clear. The doctor is satisfied to find any remedy that will cure the disease; it does not bother him that, in the long development of the philosophy of medicine, the remedy is worse than the disease. So long as his argument is immediately applicable, he does not care if it lays the world waste by being universally inapplicable.

In this one old argument, for instance, there was frequent use of one more or less new argument. It was actually and even earnestly said that this war-like world must be worse in order to be better. The more hateful war became, the sooner men would

be better. The more hateful war became, the sooner men would learn to love peace. Only when war had done its very worst, would humanity fully realise that peace is best. This argument was gravely advanced by many men of humane and intelligent spirit; by some of the followers of Mr. Wells, if not by Mr. Wells himself. And it always filled me with amazement that men should use such an argument, without seeing where such an argument would lead. It is surely an astounding thesis; that we should all be as wicked as possible, in order that the world might the sooner grow weary of our wickedness. Granted that modern mechanical war is horrible, I cannot see why this sophistry should not be applied to anything else that is horrible, beside modern mechanical war.

Suppose I am a financier; and I say that, if I swindle people on so vast a scale as to lead to a colossal collapse and crash of credit, then I am really a social

reformer proving to them at last the preposterous and perilous nature of capitalism. By merely numbering the numberless widows and orphans that I have reduced to starvation, I can exhibit myself more evidently as an educationist instructing them all in economics. Suppose I am a newspaper-proprietor or an editor, and fill my newspaper with any lies that come into my head, instead of the more carefully selected and patriotically calculated falsehoods which are now chosen so carefully for us by

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THE "HERZOGIN CECILIE" IN THE DAYS OF HER GLORY: THE BEAUTIFUL FINNISH FOUR-MASTED BARQUE, THE PRIDE OF CAPTAIN GUSTAF ERIKSON'S GRAIN FLEET, WHICH RAN ON THE ROCKS NEAR SALCOMBE ON APRIL 25, HAPPILY WITH NO LIVES LOST.

The photograph on the opposite page shows the "Herzogin Cecilie" on the rocks of the Devon coast. She was one of the finest of the fleet of grain ships. She had won the grain race from Australia to Great Britain eight times, and as lately as April 23 completed a fast voyage of eighty-six days from Port Lincoln to Falmouth to win her last victory. She was the largest sailing ship on Lloyd's Register. The "Herzogin Cecilie" (3111 tons) was launched at Bremerhaven in 1902, and until the war was employed as a training ship by the Norddeutscher-Lloyd Line. Afterwards, like most of the surviving windjammers, she came into the hands of Captain Gustaf Erikson and sailed each year in the Australian grain trade.

those who have the task of forming public opinion. Suppose I suddenly announce that Japan has been entirely swallowed by an earthquake, or Berlin blown up by dynamite; for no reason whatever except that these day-dreams please my sense of beauty and fitness and poetical justice. And then, having told all the lies I liked merely because I liked them, suppose I defended myself by saying "The sooner the public realises the dangerous power of press monopolies, the sooner there will be some chance of individual citizens forming an individual judgment." Specious and appealing as these pleas might be, I think it will be agreed that nobody has a right to conduct a trade of which he is ashamed, and then make it more shameful in the hope that everybody else may come to be ashamed of it. Yet this argument was quite calmly canvassed among various scientific and philosophical persons, as an argument for accepting

the increase of atrocity in war. I must be excused if I have a suspicion that some of our sophists will say anything in order to prove anything, and that with a brazen recklessness about what it is that they really prove.

This special sophistry was strangely common about that time; and it created, and to some extent still creates, a curious ultimate alliance between Pacifists and Militarists. The Militarist must be

allowed to be more and more brutal, because the Pacifist hopes that this will prove to everybody how very brutal he is. The matter interests me in the abstract, and merely as a study in logic; as a study in life, have an antiquated doubt about whether all military men are brutes. But it extended to the brutes. But it extended to the study of other methods besides military methods. It extended to the less dignified type of journalistic or propagandist method. I have heard with my own ears a man who had been a violent Jingo journalist, under Lord Northcliffe, rise in a public debate and announce that he was by personal conviction an extreme Pacifist. He blandly justified himself by saying that he was symbolically telling the truth about the war, by telling lies about the Germans. Apparently he hoped that the peculiarly revolting character of his lies would cause everybody to revolt against war, as a condition in which such lies were possible. He said, with simple fervour: "When you are doing a beastly thing, you must do it in a beastly way." I do not think I misrepresent his singular logic, but I have never been able to accept it. I cannot believe that the mere fact of his making a beast of himself was in itself likely to assist us to move upwards, working up the brute, and let the ape and tiger die. But it is an interesting study in the tangles in which men tie themselves, when they try to combine modern cynicism with modern idealism.

Of the individual question at issue I have nothing to say here, except that I prefer either cynicism or idealism to mere pharisaism. I sympathise with the revolutionary idealist who would defy and destroy all our corrupt compromises, from plutocratic politics to poison gas, even when it is thought doubtful whether he will ever destroy anything except himself. I sympathise with the cynical but patriotic man of the world who thinks that war and empire

are only the way of the world, but is at least ready to fight for his own country or respect his own code. But I have no sympathy whatever with the sort of man who uses either of these arguments, or both, or neither, whenever he has an opportunity of showing his superiority to anybody whom he happens to dislike. And perhaps the greatest peril of our time is this opportunism which perpetually substitutes sophistry for philosophy. Nothing can be worse for the spirit and the mind of man than this sort of half-scepticism, which will impose commandments by which it is not bound; which will criticise everything except itself; which will preach unselfishness out of sheer selfishness; and proclaim the right morality from the wrong motive. These things, between them, have reduced current contemporary judgment to a sort of chaos of caprice and anarchy; and threaten to produce a world in which men differ too much even to dispute.



TO SAIL THE SEAS NO MORE: THE "HERZOGIN CECILIE," ONE OF THE LAST OF THE WINDJAMMERS AND THE WINNER OF THIS YEAR'S GRAIN RACE, FAST ASHORE NEAR SALCOMBE, WHERE SHE GROUNDED DURING A FOG AT NIGHT.

The Finnish four-masted barque "Herzogin Cecilie" ran on the rocks of Sewer Mill
Cove, near Salcombe, Devon, in the early morning of April 25. The decision to
abandon her there was taken on April 27, as it was impossible to get her off. The
ship had lately completed her voyage from Australia, and was bound from Falmouth

to Ipswich to discharge her cargo of grain. In our photograph can be seen lifelines
between the mizzen-mast and the cliffs, by which the master, Captain Sven Erikson,
and his wife went ashore by breeches buoy on April 26, later returning to the ship.
Some details of the "Herzogin Cecilie's" career are given on the opposite page.

THE MENACE OF GAS WARFARE: HOME PRECAUTIONS THE CITIZEN SHOULD TAKE.

The Dropping of Chemicals on a City: A Danger that Can be Reduced to Negligible Proportions Only if Official Instructions are Followed.

By C. E. BOWER, Air Raid Precautions Staff Officer to the Commissioner of No. 1. District, St. John Ambulance Brigade.

"Bombs were dropped from enemy aircraft on the casualties." How would you react to such a statement? Would you have feelings of indignation and disgust, with a firm resolve to combat the hazards involved, or might your horror give way to fear? It was amply demonstrated during the Great War that, given gas and high explosives of equal weight, H.E. has a much greater power as a lethal and destructive weapon. To what factors in principle would an enemy have regard

lethal and destructive weapon. To would an enemy have regard when embarking upon a policy to employ chemicals against civilians? First and most important would be the probability that an uninitiated populace would panic when confronted by this relatively new form of warfare, and in a frenzy of terror this relatively new form of war-fare, and, in a frenzy of terror, create a situation which, sapping the resources of the armed forces of the Crown, would leave the Government little alternative than to sue for a humiliating peace. Much has been said and written on this subject, but, if the situation likely to arise is subjected to a careful examina-tion, much of the apparent occasion for fear may be speedily discounted. discounted.

For the purpose of our hypothesis, let it be assumed that enemy raiders have reached London and commenced activity London and commenced activity from over the south-west and western suburbs — that is, to windward of the City. The attack would probably open by the use of high explosive and incendiary bombs, to break down or weaken anti-gas defences and create as much confusion as possible; followed by gas in either bomb or liquid-spray form. possible; followed by gas in either bomb or liquid-spray form. either bomb or liquid-spray form. "Gas," as a word employed in chemical warfare, is used to indicate a substance employed for its deleterious effect on the human body, and may, in fact, be either a true gas, a liquid, or a solid. According to the rapidity with which the substances evaporate at normal temperature, so are they classified as persistent or non-persistent gases. It will are they classified as persistent or non-persistent gases. It will be apparent that a non-persistent chemical cannot be projected as a spray from a high altitude, as evaporation would be effected before reaching the target; but bombs can be charged with any compound.

compound.
Subject to the prevailing weather conditions being suitable that is, little wind, moderate temperature, and no rain), the vapour released by a bomb charged with a non-persistent chemical such as chlorine or phosgene (Carbonyl chloride) could form a cloud of dangerous conform a cloud of dangerous concentration some nine or ten feet high and be gently wafted along in the breeze until diffused into Mustard (Dichloro-diethyl sulphide), as a persistent sub-stance, would penetrate into the surface upon which it fell, and, if left undisturbed, give off poison-

left undisturbed, give off poisonous vapour for days or weeks.

The ideal protection against such dangers would be the building, in readiness, of large communal concrete bomb-proof and gas-protected shelters, but the magnitude alone of such a task renders it impracticable. The application of a few pre-The application of a few pre-scribed principles, coupled with

scribed principles, coupled with a common - sense appreciation of dangers to be encountered, indicates the means by which a very high standard of protection can be attained in the home. Explosive and incendiary bombs burst upon detonation by striking a resisting surface, and the highest protection against these will be obtained below ground-level, in a basement or cellar. On the contrary, war gases, being heavier than air, tend to sink to the lower levels. Whilst walls remain intact and gas-protecting devices undamaged, it is, therefore, preferable to remain below ground, with resisting surfaces overhead. In houses of the suburban villa type, with but one floor above ground-level and no basement,

protection is best sought on the ground floor. In buildings of more pretentious character, arrangements may be made on the first or second floor, according to the building. With these principles in mind, accommodation should be provided by selecting a room or rooms (according to the number of

(according to the number of persons occupying the premises) permitting a floor area of 20 square feet per person, with an average ceiling-height of and inside with paper pasted to the panes. All cracks around the frames must be secured by putty or stout pasted paper. Fireplaces must be covered in and doorways sealed in like manner. Protection can thus be secured for twelve hours, and, in anticipation of prolonged residence in this confined area, suitable arrangements must be made, including the provision of drink and foodstuffs. If a basement or cellar is available, like precautions must be taken

AS ILLUSTRATED IN A GERMAN PAPER: POSSIBLE EFFECTS OF GAS-BOMBS DROPPED IN A CITY STREET— A PICTORIAL PROPHECY OF AERIAL WARFARE AS IT MAY BE IN THE FUTURE.

This dramatic forecast of the terrible effects that might be caused by gas-bombs, dropped amid a city population unprepared to protect themselves, was reproduced from the "Berliner Illustrirte Zeitung" in our issue of November 19, 1932, a few days after Mr. Baldwin had made his memorable speech in the House of Commons on the perils of air warfare—a warning that caused a profound sensation throughout the world. Unhappily, that warning is now more than ever necessary, but, as pointed out in the article on this page, by taking certain precautions it is possible largely to mitigate the dangers of poison-gas.

From the Drawing by Theo. Matejko.

by securely covering air-bricks, coal-chutes, ventilators, and doors. Gas-masks capable of giving a high standard of protection will be available, and may be employed in the event of the breakdown of any individual protection so

An air-raid warning would be the signal for all members of the "passive population" (that is, those not engaged upon prescribed duties) to take cover in their protected rooms and there remain until the official "gas-clear" signal is received. Despite the protective steps taken, some casualties are inevitable, but again, much can be

done by the individual to lessen or completely avoid the

done by the individual to lessen or completely avoid the ill-effects following exposure.

Mustard (Dichloro-diethyl sulphide), with its evasive odour of garlic or horse-radish, is dangerous either by exposure to the vapour or liquid contact. Although the respirator will protect the eyes and organs of respiration, the skin is liable to attack, with the subsequent development of burns; which danger will, of course, be avoided by remaining in the already-mentioned gas-proofed rooms until the "gas-clear" signal is given. This substance is invisible as a gas, but may be seen in liquid form as a brown, oily fluid, heavier than water. A peculiarity of this chemical is that, although physical action from liquid contact commences within ten minutes of contamination, signs of damage are not evident until an average time of eight hours has elapsed. Following exposure, rapid precautionary measures must be adopted: within ten minutes all clothing must be removed and left outside the protected room and the body thoroughly washed—preferably scrubbed on the less tender parts—with soap and several changes of water for ten minutes. If burns do subsequently develop as the result of delayed treatment, every care must be taken to avoid blisters breaking by lightly dressing with cotton-wool and submission for professional medical attention.

Lewisite (B. Chlorovinyl dichloroarsine) has an odour of geraniums, but acts in a very similar manner. Again the gas is invisible; but in liquid it appears as a colourless, oily fluid. The treatment indicated for mustard is equally effective, but

The treatment indicated for mustard is equally effective, but the active presence of arsenic calls for the release of the fluid content of blisters under anticontent of blisters under anti-septic conditions. Chlorine, with an odour of chloride of lime, was the first gas used during the Great War, and is visible in its gaseous state, with a greenish-

gaseous state, with a greenishyellow hue.

In common with phosgene
(Carbonyl chloride or carbon
oxychloride), with an odour of
musty hay but invisible as a
gas, it is productive of spasms
of coughing and irritation of the
eyes. Pains in the chest and difficulty in breathing are evident,
but much good can be served
if the patient lies down, is kept
quiet and warm pending pro-

if the patient lies down, is kept quiet and warm pending professional attention or removal by transport to an aid post.

Irritation of the eyes, by whatever gas it may be caused, can be effectively relieved by washing out in an eye-bath with a solution of saline (common salt: one teaspoonful to water one pint and the solution boiled and cooled).

It is within the scope of practical possibility that, with a view to stimulating panic, a sneezing gas of the *Diphenylamine chloroarsine* type might be employed. The substances, although in the nature of arsenialthough in the nature of arseni-cal compounds, are harmless. They are, in fact, solids, and when released by heat, such as might be generated by high explosives, form a particulate, but invisible and odourless, smoke. The symptoms are unpleasant, in so far as an intense irritation of the nose and throat irritation of the nose and throat is set up, accompanied by pains in the head, teeth and gums, and mental depression. After removal from infected atmosphere the symptoms persist for some half an hour and then subside, leaving no ill-effects.

The General Scheme of Organizies by the Home Office (Air Raid Precautions Dept., under Wing-

Precautions Dept., under Wing-Commander Hodsell) is very comprehensive and is now in process of active application. Some part of this scheme deals with the establishment of Aid Posts and Decontamination Stations, treat-Decontamination Stations, treatment and transport of casualties of all types. The voluntary ambulance organisations, such as the St. John Ambulance Brigade, have undertaken important duties and are recruiting special reserves. Other phases of essential organisation relate to the duties of police forces provision of adequate reserves. The

and fire brigades and the provision of adequate reserves. The introduction of adequate lighting restrictions, maintenance of public services, formation of decontamination and rescue

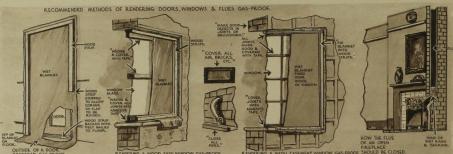
of public services, formation of decontamination and rescue parties, rapid repair of roads and the clearance of débris, are other items to which attention has been directed.

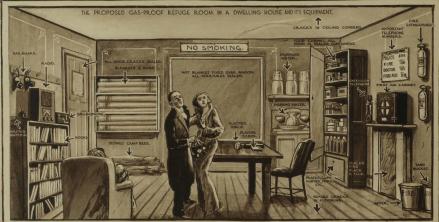
Poisonous gases employed against civilians could be an effective weapon with which to combat the uninitiated, but reasonable precautions and a proper respect for this method of warfare, coupled with an appreciation of its possibilities and limitations, can reduce its value to negligible proportions negligible proportions.



We illustrate here an ingenious French device for providing, rapidly, a gas-proof shelter during enemy air raids. A brief explanatory note states: "This balloon-shelter consists of an impermeable envelope inflated by a pneumatic machine." The entrance is apparently arranged on the air-lock principle, and some form of illumination is provided inside. It is interesting to compare this invention with the method of preparing a refuge room in an ordinary house illustrated on pages 754 and 755 of this number. Manifestly the erection of such a balloon-shelter would be relatively simple, since there are no doors, windows, or chimneys to be hermetically sealed, but whether it would otherwise be equally efficacious seems to be a little doubtful. The cost of the apparatus is not mentioned.

IN THE POSSIBLE EVENT OF ENEMY AIR RAIDS: ANTI-GAS PRECAUTIONS FOR HOUSEHOLDERS AND OWNERS OF FLATS.







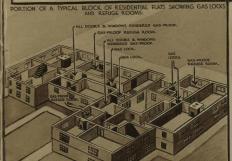
OFFICIAL ADVICE TO THE CIVILIAN POPULATION FOR SELF-PROTECTION AGAINST POISON-GAS

The Air Raids Precautions Department of the Home Office will shortly issue a handbook describing in simple language what can be done by the ordinary citizen in the event of attack from the air, and indicating certain elementary precautions which, if taken in advance, will lessen the danger and anxiety, If attack should ever come, and assist in personal protection. These pre-cautions can be carried out by any householder at very little cost and would be effective against any gas at present known to be capable of use in any quantity under war conditions. If the householder is fortunate enough to

have a spare room, preferably in the basement or on the ground floor, it can be fitted up as illustrated in the centre of the left-hand page, and here he has a "bolt hole." completely gas-proofed and always ready for emergency. In smaller houses, where no special room can be spared, an ordinary room In smaller nouses, where no special room can be spaced, an ordinary can be appropriated and so prepared that it can be rendered gas-proof in a few minutes by quickly sealing the door, the window, and the chimney flue y means of materials prepared beforehand and kept ready for instant use. In large blocks of residential flats several of these "refuge" rooms should









FROM AIR BOMBS: METHODS OF PREPARING GAS-PROOF REFUGE ROOMS AND GARDEN DUG-OUTS.

be provided. Gas-locks fitted in suitable corridors would retard the progress of the gas and facilitate the sceape of the occupants. In the suburbs and country districts, where there are thousands of houses which contain no space country districts, where there are rounding to round with outside the for a suitable refuge room, but where gardens are available, it is fairly easy to dig an effective "dug-out," provide it with gas-locks, and make it large enough to accommodate the whole household. It has been found that, in rooms of normal height, an allowance of 20 square feet space for each person will enable people to remain in a seadle gas-prior from without ventilation.

for twelve hours. The Government propose to issue simple but effective gasmasks free of charge to all persons in areas exposed to danger in the event of an air attack. Each respirator will bear the Home Office certification off an air attack. Each respirator win usear the intoine Once testimation mark showing that the mask is of approved design and construction. More elaborate masks are being provided for those officials whose duty will keep them exposed to the gas for lengthy periods, both during the raid itself and the subsequent "decontamination" period; that is, the time during which the area affected being freed from gas.



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"PAPUAN WONDERLAND": By J. G. HIDES.*

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THE present writer well remembers, as a small boy, being patted on the head by the celebrated New Guinea missionary and explorer, Chalmers ("Tamate"). He still recollects vividly the burly, imposing presence of the famous man, and how he surrounded himself with a cloud of smoke from a big black pipe—which seemed to the small boy a surprising and somewhat disillusioning thing for so saintly a man to do! It was not long afterwards that Chalmers met his death at the hands of cannibals on the then unexplored Fly River. Since those days, much has happened in Papua: a very effective government has been established, much has been done to pacify the tribes and improve their condition, and nearly all the country has been explored. In the process, there have been constant discoveries of great geographical and anthropological importance, which this journal has often brought to the notice of its readers. In our issue of Oct. 12, 1935, will be found some account of the remarkable work of the Papuan Patrol Officers (as described by Mr. Lewis Lett in his "Knights Errant of Papua"). In August of the same year we published an illustrated description of the highly interesting, light-skinned, wig-wearing tribe which Mr. J. G. Hides discovered in the Tari Furoro district. The volume now under consideration furnishes a more detailed account of this people, who were encountered in the course of an expedition now fully and vigorously described in an unusually interesting book. It represents one of the most gallant undertakings in the history of this savage land, and is an appropriate sequel to the two adventurous patrols which Mr. Hides has already described in his well-known "Through Wildest Papua." We should add that quite recently an aeroplane survey has supplemented the information gained by Mr. Hides' latest patrol, especially with regard to the general configuration of the country. This survey is described by Mr. Lewis Lett in The Times of Saturday, April 25, 1936.

The objective was the area (about 8000 square miles) lying bet

ments of accidents, disease, thirst, and hunger, are taken as part of the day's work. But the dreaded limestone or "glass bottle" country is enough to daunt the hardiest explorer. "It is," writes Mr. Hides, "a frightful stretch of country—a desolate, silent land, where only bandicoots and pythons can find a home. The rock is honeycombed



THE FIRST OF THE LIGHT-SKINNED MEN": THE UNKNOWN TARI FURORO, WHO WERE FOUND INHABITING AN INTENSIVELY CULTIVATED VALLEY BEYOND THE GREAT LIMESTONE BARRIER IN THE PAPUAN HINTERLAND.

As noted in our issue of August 24 of last year, when we reproduced a number of Mr. J. G. Hides' photographs of the unknown, light-skinned Tari Furoro, the expedition returned to Port Moresby after having been six months in the wilds of the Papuan hinterland. The Tari Furoro are described as light-skinned, brown-eyed, short, and showing Asiatic characteristics. Their land is laid out in well-planned square plots and they are great believers in afforestation. Their culture has many distinctive features.—[Reproductions from "Papuan Wonderland"; by Courtesy of the Author and of the Publishers, Messrs. Blackie and Son.]

and stands on end; it forms fissures and craters, large and small, and every step has to be watched, for the limestone edges are sharp as broken glass. There are no running streams, no water, for the rain seeps immediately the limestone. The no water, for the rain seeps immediately through the limestone. The fissures and cylindrical stone pits of this country sometimes appear bottomless to the eye. A stunted and tangled growth covers it all, with the goru palm predominating." What it must mean traversing such a nightmare of nature, in cold rain at a height of six or seven thousand feet, on an empty stomach, and tormented by leeches and by scurvy, is best left to the imagination. By way of contrast and com-

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By way of contrast and compensation, the party emerged from this ordeal into a district which Mr. Hides gratefully calls "Happy Valley." It must have been like a glimpse of Beulah-land to the exhausted Christian. "Below us, on the opposite side of the Ryan, a large lake lay on a platform of the divide, while the Ryan itself was seen to emerge from a deep gorge about two miles to the northward, and beyond the gorge, gold and green, reaching as far as the eye could see, lay the rolling timbered slopes and grasslands of a huge valley system. On every slope were cultivated squares, while little columns of smoke rising in the still air revealed to us the homes of the people of smoke rising in the still air revealed to us the homes of the people of smoke rising in the still air revealed to us the homes of the people of short stature, they were clean and light-skinned, and they had girlish mops of brown hair, adorned with flowers. Three of four had rosettes of bachelor buttons; others had bands of edelweiss across their foreheads; some had parrot feathers; while all of them had bone daggers stuck in the cane girdles around their waists. A knitted sporran, tucked between the cane girdles, was all the covering they had. I was greatly interested in their Asiatic-like features; their cheek-bones were high, and their noses and lips were all finely moulded."

These people lived in a land of plenty, and on the whole were friendly, or a least not actively hostile; but around their tribes the exhausted from this order into a district which Mr. Hides gratefully calls "Happy Valley."

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The part of Beulah-land to the exhausted Christian. "Below us, on the opposite side of the Ryan, a large lake lay on Besoso harangued the members of Mr. Hides' expedition on their first arrival in the Tari Furoro country, but was subsequently involved in a treacherous ambush. He is seen here wearing a carefully coiffured and flower-decked wig. He has a cassowary quill through his nose and a bone dagger in his girdle.

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These people lived in a land of plenty, and on the whole were friendly, or at least not actively hostile; but among other tribes the expedition met with an extraordinarily variable reception. Most of the savages were, of course, alarmed by an intrusion which they supposed to be hostile, and the Patrol Officer's first task was to persuade them, by gifts and signs, that he came with peaceful intentions. He was generally successful, but many of the savages proved to be irreconcilable, and not even a knife or a tomahawk or a piece of red cloth could win them to friendliness. The party repeatedly found itself

confronted by hundreds of excited warriors armed with spears, bows and arrows, and stone axes. Usually a few shots fired over the heads of the threatening braves were enough to disperse them, but on several occasions the little party was saved only by shooting down several of the aggressors. As the journey lengthened, and the explorers became reduced by exhaustion, disease, and under-nourishment (Mr. Hides was himself gravely ill with dysentery), the danger became greater from hostile natives who thought that they had an easy prey within their clutches. There were numerous skir-

There were numerous skir-mishes and several pitched battles; and had not the savages preferred to play at cat-and-mouse with a debilitated handful of men debilitated handful of men (who continued, however, to defy them), nothing could have prevented a massacre. Miraculously, the patrol escaped with hardly any casualties, and won through to more friendly country. Later stages of the journey had to be performed by raft on the unexplored Elave River — a highly dangerous adventure, for it was known that the river, at some point that the river, at some point— but where?—dropped about 2000 feet.

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number of Mr. J. G. Hides' in returned to Port Moresby the Tari Furoro are described. Their land is laid out in n. Their culture has many retesy of the Author and of the out and dull eyes sunk deep in the sockets; and can he picture them dragging their frames over limestone rocks, exerting those frames again and again with no promise of food, with nostrils filled with a mucus that strength is not there to clear away? I never want to see such tortured and pitiable humans again."

The party was not to reach the end of its journey without at least one more miraculous escape from annihilation; for in a terrific thunderstorm it was caught, utterly help-less, by a sudden flood, the waters of which rose as high

for in a terrific thunderstorm it was caught, utterly helpless, by a sudden flood, the waters of which rose as high
as their waists before the crisis was past. Sir Hubert
Murray, who contributes an Introduction, considers this
moment of peril, between the unscalable walls of a mountain
chasm, "the tightest corner of all." But on such a journey
all corners seem to have been "tight."

The achievement of Mr. Hides and Mr. O'Malley speaks
for itself, and it is set on record with simplicity and with
modesty, but
not to the
exclusion of



BLACK "PHARAOH" OF PAPUA: DARK-SKINNED BEWIGGED MAN THE WAGAFURARI, A PEOPLE OF THE WAGAFURARI, A PEOPLE DWELLING EAST OF MOUNT CHAMPION, IN THE PAPUAN HINTERLAND.

exclusion of marked animation of narrative. The result is a book of profound inter-est and of est and of notable value from a scientific point of view. Throughout, Mr. Hides writes in the highest terms of the services rendered by the native police. It is really extraordinary that these recruits of government, newly-won from the starkest savagery, can exhibit such qualities of devotion, of devotion, loyalty, and courage in a cause foreign to their primary instincts. One of these stalwarts, Emesi, died of dysentery

after a plucky struggle, during the expedition, and his last broken words seem to have meant: "My lamp is going out. But no matter. I have Judge Murray's clothes on." He was saying, in his primitive way, what Nelson said in the cockpit of the Victory. "Savages in Serge!" Mr. Hides concludes. "They are the brown men of Papua, the emblem of their first great civilisation."—C. K. A.



TARI FURORO LEADER WHO EX-TENDED GENEROUS HOSPITALITY TO THE HIDES EXPEDITION AND GUIDED THEM OUT OF AN AMBUSH: MAMBU; SO CALLED FROM THE TARI FURORO WORD FOR "FRIEND."

Mambu was a handsome young chieftain with "a pretty girlish mop of brown hair." In this photograph it has been decorated with edelweiss; and he is wearing round his neck a red handkerchief given him by one of the Hides Expedition. Mambu and his smart "secretary" proved most helpful.

A TARI FURORO LEADER WHO WAS

BULLY AND A GREAT TALKER AND PLAYED A PART IN AMBUSHING THE HIDES EXPEDITION: BESOSO — OR "BIG - BEARD," AS THE NATIVE POLICEMEN NICKNAMED HIM.

smart "secretary" proved most helpful. through his nose and a tiny by comparison with the enormous dangers and difficulties of the enterprise. He was accompanied by Patrol Officer O'Malley, a sergeant and nine constables of the native police, and thirty carriers. Setting forth in December 1934, the party made the first stage of its journey without incident by the Fly River, and then plunged into wholly unknown country, more densely populated (as it turned out) than most of Papua by tribes whose attitude to the intruders it was impossible to predict. It was known, however, that they were likely to be, almost without exception, cannibals and head-hunters.

There is probably no more difficult country in the world for exploration than the wilds of Papua. Apart from the natural obstacles, the greatest difficulty is the uncertain and scanty supply of food. The country itself provides little beyond sago and potatoes, and these only in very variable quantities. The transport of supplies and equipment is therefore a major problem. Dense forest, through which every inch of pathway must be hacked; unhealthy swamps; floods and landslides; great heat in the lowlands and bitter cold and rain on mountain plateaux often 10,000 feet high—these, and the accompaniplateaux often 10,000 feet high—these, and the accompani-

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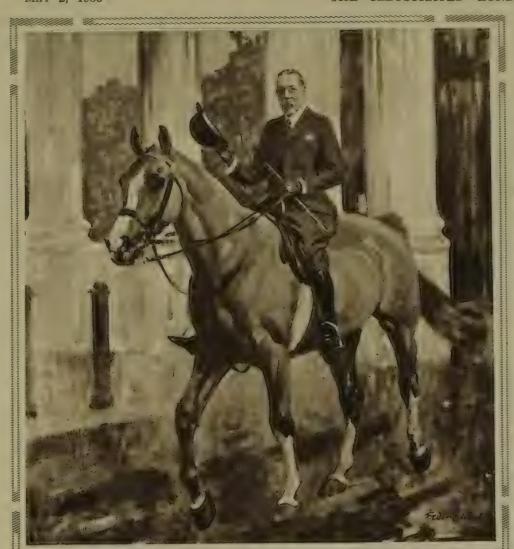


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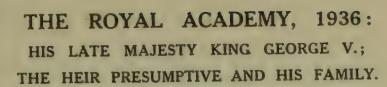


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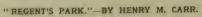
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THE RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD DISHOF OF NORWICH."—BY EDMOND BROCK.



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BY SIMON ELWFS.



JOHN BASSALL, R.I." BY JAMES GUNN.

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"LAURENCE OLIVIER AS ROMEO."-BY HAROLD KNIGHT, A.R.A.



"ELISABETH BERGNER."-BY ROBERT D. GREENHAM.

Mr. Laurence Olivier played Romeo at the beginning of Mr. John Gielgud's production of "Romeo and Juliet" at the New Theatre last autumn, and later exchanged parts with Mr. Gielgud, who began as Mercutio.——Miss Elisabeth Bergner was taken ill recently soon after completing a film of "As You Like It" directed by her husband, [Continued below on right.



"ARTHUR WIMPERIS, ESQ."—BY FRANCIS HODGE.



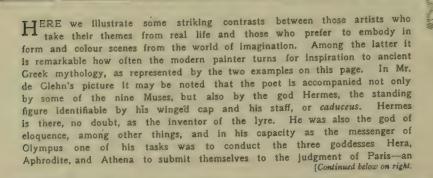
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Continued.]
Dr. Paul Czinner. Sir James Barrie's new play, written specially for her, was postponed owing to her illness, and may be produced in the autumn.—Mr. Arthur
Wimperis is well known as a dramatic author and lyrist.—Miss Vivien Leigh sprang
into fame last year as Henrietta in "The Mask of Virtue," and is now playing
Jenny Mere in "The Happy Hypocrite" at His Majesty's. In private life she
is the wife of Mr. Leigh Holman, a barrister.

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"THE POET ACCOMPANIED BY SOME OF THE MUSES SEEKS INSPIRATION FROM NATURE."—BY W. G. DE GLEHN, R.A.





"MOSCOW."-BY CHARLES CUNDALL



"ORPHEUS."-BY K. M. SCALE.

occasion rather suggested by the central group in the picture. Regarding the legend of Orpheus, recalled by Miss K. M. Scale's work, we read in Smith's "Classical Dictionary": "Presented with the lyre by Apollo, and instructed by the Muses in its use, he enchanted with its music not only the wild beasts, but the trees and rocks upon Olympus, so that they moved from

their places to follow the sound."



"COMMOTION IN THE CATTLE RING."-BY JAMES BATEMAN, A.R.A.



"LOVERS SHELTERING FROM A STORM."-BY D. P. BLISS.



"THE REHEARSAL."-BY HERBERT A. BUDD.

DISCOVERIES AT THE PYRAMIDS: TOMBS OF THE PHARAOH CHEFREN'S TIME.



A TOMB DESCRIBED AS THAT OF A GENERAL WHO WAS TUTOR TO CHEFREN'S SONS; ONE OF THE IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES MADE BY PROFESSOR SELIM HASSAN AT THE PYRAMIDS OF GIZA.



THE TOMB OF KNUM BA EF, SON OF CHEFREN (THE BUILDER OF THE SECOND PYRAMID): SHOWING THE FIRST LIMESTONE BLOCK (CENTRE, AT BASE OF WALL) PARTLY REMOVED FROM THE ENTRANCE.



THE DISCOVERER OF THREE INTACT EGYPTIAN TOMBS AT THE PYRAMIDS: PROFESSOR SELIM HASSAN, AT THE MOUTH OF THE THIRD.



THE RIFLED TOMB OF AN EGYPTIAN NOBLE: A VIEW SHOWING HOW ROBBERS IN ANCIENT TIMES HAD CUT ROUND A LIMESTONE BLOCK IN ORDER TO EFFECT AN ENTRANCE.



SHOWING THE OCCUPANT'S "NAME-PLATE" IN HIEROGLYPHICS (ON THE RIGHT): THE FALSE DOOR OF A NOBLE'S TOMB OF CHEFREN'S TIME.



BEFORE IT WAS OPENED: THE ENTRANCE TO THE THIRD TOMB RECENTLY FOUND INTACT AT THE PYRAMIDS, WITH THE SEALING BLOCKS OF LIMESTONE STILL IN POSITION.

The contents of the tombs here illustrated were subsequently mentioned in a Reuter message from Cairo in which it was stated: "A mummy believed to be the oldest known has been found in one of the tombs discovered by Professor Selim Hassan, of the University of Cairo. It is that of a woman, completely wrapped in bandages. She was the wife of Sechem Nefer, the highest noble next to Pharaoh Chefren, the builder of the Second Pyramid, and governor of a province. Another of the tombs, that of Knum Ba Ef, a son of Pharaoh Chefren, contains a large white



THE TOMB OF KNUM BA EF IN PROCESS OF BEING OPENED: A VIEW OF THE ENTRANCE, SHOWING THE LIMESTONE BLOCK, WITH WHICH IT WAS SEALED, PARTLY REMOVED.

limestone sarcophagus, which has not yet been opened. On the top of this sarcophagus was a 3-ft. long gold necklace beaded with carnelians, amethysts, turquoises, and ivory and gold silver sheaths. The third tomb contains the mummy of a man wrapped in bandages with only the head exposed. The Prime Minister, Ali Pasha Maher, and the Coptic Patriarch, Yoannes XIX., inspected the three tombs with Professor Hassan." In our issue of April 11 we illustrated the interior and contents of a tomb of an Egyptian princess found by Professor Hassan at the Pyramids.

LORD LINLITHGOW ASSUMES OFFICE IN INDIA: THE NEW AND THE RETIRING VICEROYS.





THE RETIRING VICEROY TAKES HIS LEAVE; LORD WILLING-DON REPLYING TO THE ADDRESS PRESENTED TO HIM BY THE BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.



INSIDE THE GATEWAY OF INDIA: THE MAYOR OF HOMBAY READING AN ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO LORD AND LADY LINLITHGOW ON THEIR ARRIVAL.



THE NEW VICEROY AND HIS WIFE GREETED WITH TRADITIONAL CEREMONY AT BOMBAY: THE SCENE INSIDE THE GATEWAY OF INDIA



THE VICEROY AND THE VICEROY-DESIGNATE MEET ON INDIAN SOIL—A DEPARTURE FROM CONVENTION: A GROUP INCLUDING (FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT) LORD BRABOURNE, GOVERNOR OF BOMBAY, LADY LINLITHGOW, LORD WILLINGDON, LADY WILLINGDON, LORD LINLITHGOW, AND LADY BRABOURNE.



THE RETIRING VICEROY ARRIVES AT BOMBAY TO TAKE HIS DEPARTURE FROM INDIA: LORD WILLINGDON SPEAKING TO THE SHERIFF OF BOMBAY; WITH LORD BRABOURNE (RIGHT CENTRE).

The Marquess of Linlithgow, the new Viceroy of India, arrived with Lady Linlithgow at Bombay on April 17 and landed at the Gateway of India, the beautiful building set up to commemorate the landing of King George in December 1911. Some ten miles out their liner, the P. and O. "Strathmore," was met for the first time in the history of Viceregal receptions by three ships of the Royal Indian Navy, under Rear-Admiral Bedford, the Flag Officer Commanding. The "Clive," the "Indus" and the "Lawrence" were the ships that took part. The city of Bombay accorded their Excellencies a most enthusiastic reception. A departure

from convention was made—but not for the first time—when the retiring Viceroy and the new Viceroy met on Indian soil. Lord Linlithgow and Lord Willingdon spent several hours in Government House, Bombay, discussing State affairs before parting. In the evening Lord Linlithgow and his party left by special train for New Delhi, where, on April 18, the swearing-in ceremony was held. Both when the new Viceroy arrived and when he assumed office, a Royal Salute of thirty-one guns was fired. Lord and Lady Willingdon sailed for England on April 18, escorted by warships to the limit of Indian territorial waters.

MEN ENTOMBED FOR OVER 242 HOURS:



TRAPPED IN THE MOOSE RIVER GOLD MINE, NOVA SCOTIA: MR. HERMON MAGILL, WHO DIED, PHOTOGRAPHED WITH HIS WIFE; AND (RIGHT) DR. D. E. ROBERTSON, ONE OF THE TWO MEN RESCUED AFTER HAVING BEEN ENTOMBED FOR TEN DAYS.



THE HEROIC RESCUES AT THE MOOSE RIVER MINE: A MINER AT WORK, UNDER DANGEROUS CONDITIONS, WITH A LIFELINE TO THE SURFACE.

World-wide interest was aroused by the attempts to rescue three men who were trapped in the Moose River Gold Mine, Nova Scotia, by a cave-in on April 12. The men were Dr. D. E. Robertson, Mr. Hermon Magill, and Mr. Alfred Scadding. The trapped men kindled little pieces of wood, and the smoke from these led to their being located. A hundred miners began an endeavour to free them on April 13, but a fresh collapse forced a suspension of work. It was not until the 18th that a diamond drill got through and communication was established with the entombed men. Food was sent down the drill-hole. On the 20th,



THE MINE AT MOOSE RIVER, IN WHICH DR. ROBERTSON AND MK. MAGILL (PARTOWNERS OF THE MINE) AND MR. ALFRED SCADDING (A MINE OFFICIAL) WERE TRAPPED



BEGINNING WORK ON THE SHAFT IN WHICH VOLUNTEERS RISKED THEIR LIVES TO GET THE ENTOMBED MEN OUT ALIVE.

Magill's death was reported and flooding was announced. The rescuers dug frantically, but it was not clear whether they were correct in their direction. In addition, there was the danger of a further cave-in. It was not until the 22nd that miners eventually broke through. Even then great difficulty was experienced in moving Dr. Robertson and Mr. Scadding, who were extremely weak; and they were not brought to the surface until the 23rd. They had been entombed for over 242 hours. Mr. Scadding had contracted trench feet, but otherwise both men were comparatively well. The rescuers received the congratulations of the King.

NEWS FROM HOME AND ABROAD: PICTURIAL COMMENTS ON AFFAIRS ROYAL. POLITICAL, NAVAL, MILITARY AND POLICE, MUSICAL, SPORTING, AND ENGINEERING.



THE OPENING OF THE GRAND OPERA SEASON: THE AUDIENCE STANDING FOR THE NATIONAL ANTHEM—THE FIRST TIME IT HAS BEEN PLAYED AT COVENT GARDEN SINCE THE ACCESSION OF HIS MAJESTY KING EDWARD VIII.



THE KING, COLONEL-IN-CHIEF OF THE REGIMENT, INSPECTING THE 1ST BATTALION, COLDSTREAM GUARDS, AT VICTORIA BARRACKS, WINDSOR: HIS MAJESTY PASSING SLOWLY ALONG THE RANKS BEFORE THE MARCH-PAST.













THE NEW CHELSEA BRIDGE, TO REPLACE THE OLD SUSPENSION BRIDGE: THE FIRST SPAN







THE ONLY GOAL OF THE CUP FINAL: SMITH (THE SHEFFIELD GOAL-KEEPER) LOOKING BACK AT THE BALL, WHICH HAD BEEN SHOT INTO THE NET BY DRAKE OF THE ARSENAL.



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QUASI-HISTORICAL CHARACTERS:

GREAT FIGURES ON THE BORDERLAND OF HISTORY AND LEGEND. NO. 7.—SIGURD (SIEGFRIED).

By LORD RAGLAN, Author of "Jocasta's Crime, an Anthropological Study," "The Science of Peace," and "If I Were Dictator."



Lord Raglan here concludes his remarkably interesting series of essays, on semi-historical and semimythical personages of the past, with a study of Sigurd (the Norse equivalent of Siegfried), which comes opportunely in view of Wagnerian opera at Covent Garden. The opera season begins on April 27, but "Siegfried" will not be given till May 12. the following essay, it will be noted, Lord Raglan also

uses the Norse form of the heroine's name—Brynhild, instead of the German Brünhilde. The series of articles began, we may recall, with one on Helen of Troy in our issue of recall, with one on Helen of Troy in our issue of March 7, and was continued in those of March 14, 21, and 28, April 11 and 18, respectively, with studies of Robin Hood, King Arthur, Cuchulainn, Falstaff, and John of Kent. The substance of Lord Raglan's articles will be contained in a book to be called "The Hero," which is to be published by Messre Mathury in

by Messrs. Methuen in September.

THE most famous dragon-slayer in North European mythology is undoubtedly the hero who figures under the name of Sigurd in the Volsunga Saga, and as Siegfried in the version of the Nibelungenlied which Wagner adopted as the basis of "The Ring." The two are Scandinavian and German versions respectively of the same story, the outline of which is as follows. Sigmund obtains from Odin (Wotan) a mysterious sword, with which he performs numerous feats of valour. After his death in battle the pieces of the sword are kept for his son, and are later made by a cunning smith into a new sword as good as the old one. With this sword Sigurd, or Siegfried, slays the dragon Fafnir, the guardian of a great hoard of gold. Happening to taste its blood, he finds himself able to understand the song of the birds; they warn him against the treachery of the smith, whom he slays. Having loaded the treasure on to his horse, the hero proceeds on his way, and comes to a hilltop upon which is a lovely maiden, Brynhild, asleep, surrounded by a ring of fire. They fall in love, but by means of spells and shapeof spells and shape-shiftings are tricked into marrying others. Eventually Brynhild's jealousy brings about the hero's

As in the case of Arthur, the usual practice has been to dis-regard all improbable incidents, and to repre-

death.

sent the rest of the story as sober history, the history of a great and famous Nordic hero; but, again as in the case of Arthur, the attempt to give him a definite date and a definite sphere of activity results in complete failure. In the Norse version

the action takes place in Scandinavia, while in the German version everything happens on the Rhine. There are similar difficulties in chronology. If Sigurd is a prehistoric Nordic hero, how is it that we find him in the fifth century of our era, as we must if Atli or Etzel is really Attila, King of the Huns, who died in 453? The latter is represented in the Nibelungenlied as a contemporary of Theoderic, King of the Goths, who died in 526. But our difficulties do not end there, for we are told that Aslaug, daughter of Sigurd and Brynhild, married Ragnar Lodbrog, who is alleged to have commanded the army of Vikings which looted Paris in 845. Most of the later Norse kings claimed to be descendants of this marriage.

Here, then, we have a man who was a great hero of the Nordic race before it was divided into Goths, Germans, Danes, and so on; and, many centuries later, performed the same set of feats simultaneously in areas more than five hundred miles apart, and whose son-in-law survived him by four hundred years. But

there are more difficulties yet, for in the Saxon poem of Beowulf, which is believed to have been composed, no doubt from older materials, about the beginning of the eighth century,

A MODERN ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF SIEGFRIED: THE HERO FORGING ANEW THE MAGIC SWORD, NOTHUNG, INHERITED FROM HIS FATHER, SIGMUND, IN BROKEN PIECES. From the Painting by José Segrelles, specially done for the 1933 Christmas Number of "The Illustrated London News."

and therefore gives us the oldest extant version of the story, we find that Sigurd is not mentioned at all, and that the feats later attri-buted to him are there attributed to Sigmund, who slays the dragon and carries off the

THE STORY OF SIGURD (SIEGFRIED) AS REPRESENTED IN THIRTEENTH-CENTURY NORSE WOOD-CARVING: THE TWO SIDES OF THE HYLLESTAD DOOR, PRESERVED IN THE UNIVERSITETETS OLDSAKSAMLING, THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM AT OSLO.

class carry thirteenth-century carved door-panels came originally from a church olished in 1838) at Hyllestad, in the Setesdal Valley, Norway. The form a sequence beginning at the bottom of the left panel and nuing (upward again) on the right panel. In this order the subjects (left panel) 1. Sigurd and Regin forging the magic sword; 2. Sigurd g the sword; 3. Sigurd slaying the dragon; (right panel) 4. Sigurd ing his burnt thumb) and Regin roasting the dragon's heart, with birds (above) revealing to Sigurd Regin's intended treachery, and horse, Grane, bearing the treasure; 5. Sigurd slaying Regin; 6. Gunnar playing a harp with his feet.

of the characters. The story was compiled from old ritual poems by people who had no historical records to refer to, and for whom there was, therefore, no historical past, as we understand it, at all. People who have no written records cannot

hoard.

The fact is that in this, as

in all other

myths, the im-portance lies in

the incidents of

the story, and not in the names

possibly have any idea of history. We are brought up on history, and are familiar from an early age with such terms as the Bronze Age, the Christian Era, and the eighteenth century, but all such terms are based upon chronological tables. Among illiterate communities, where no such tables exist, there are no chronological terms, and consequently no history.

Even people who can write, and who have some slight knowledge of chron-

ology, do not necessarily allow their knowledge to affect their attitude towards the real or mythical past.

Just as in a modern ballad or folk-play Napoleon may or folk-play Napoleon may be a contemporary of St. George, so to a twelfth-century writer Sigurd might be contemporary with Attila or Ragnar. He did not conceive these persons as having lived at any particular date; they were just names given to characters in the given to characters in the story. When do we suppose Captain Hook to have lived? When we are seeing "Peter Pan" we are temporarily outside the realm of history, so that the fact that Captain Hook's clothes are two centuries earlier than Wendy's does not worry us. But nothing of the kind ever worried the saga-writers, since they were permanently outside the realm of history. Neither did they know nor care whether their heroes were historical or mythical; in fact, these terms would have meant to them nothing at all. To anyone who tried to explain them, they would probably have answered much as the lady who said to me: "I like Robin Hood, and I'm going to believe in him. I don't care whether he really lived

There are, no doubt, a few people to whom it is a matter of interest whether Sigurd really lived or not, but I suspect that they are very few. Was he a historical character? No; since where there is no history there can be no historical characters, and where there

is no writing there can be no history. If real persons are of striking personality, they are remembered by all who knew them, but to the next generation they are little more than a name, and to the third generation not even that. Their person-alities disappear, while their achievements, if any, become part of the generalised traditional inheritance of their group; that is, if they are real achievements; magical achievements are in another class altogether, that not of fact but of ritual. Sigurd's name was given to the person who was supposed to have performed certain feats, but when we examine those feats we find that they are not real feats, but magical feats.

All the chief incidents in the story are miraculous; in fact, if you leave out the miracles, there is no story left. And it was to these miracles, and not to any real feats which Sigurd can be supposed to have performed, that his fame was due. It is these miracles which were depicted on scores of Norse monuments, and which Wagner has represented in "The Ring." And these miracles are not peculiar to the Norse, but are told of mythical heroes in many parts of the world. For example, many of the incidents in the Volsunga Saga also form part of the story of Bu Zeid, the mythical hero of Southern Arabia, as related by Bertram Thomas in his "Arabia Felix." They form part of that vast heritage of myth which is in some degree shared by all the inhabitants of the earth.



A MYSTERY STREAM OF ILL OMEN REAPPEARS: "WOE WATERS" HELD TO PRESAGE WAR AND DISASTER!



THE SOURCE OF THE WOE WATERS OF THE WOLDS THAT FORM THE GYPSEY RACE, A MYSTERIOUS STREAM NOW FLOWING AGAIN AFTER HAVING BEEN DRY FOR SEVERAL YEARS: A SPRING RISING AT WHARRAM-LE-STREET, YORKSHIRE.



IN THE FIRST OF THE WOLD VILLAGES THROUGH WHICH THE WOE WATERS PASS AFTER THEIR RISE AT WHARRAM-LE-STREET: THE TRADITIONALLY ILL-OMENED STREAM NOW FLOWING AGAIN THROUGH DUGGLEBY.



PASSING THE VILLAGE CHURCH AT WEST LUTTON: THE WOE WATERS OF THE WOLDS, SAID BY GEOLOGISTS TO BE FED BY SUBTERRANEAN RESERVOIRS, AND TO RISE TO THE SURFACE AT INTERVALS BY THE ACTION OF NATURAL "SIPHONS" UNDERGROUND.



TWO MILES.

THE GYPSEY RACE FLOWING THROUGH AN ARCH AT WOLD NEWTON FOR THE FIRST TIME IN FIVE YEARS, ON ITS WAY TO THE SEA AT BRIDLINGTON: A POINT WHERE THE STREAM FORMS A POOL.



THE WOE WATERS REAPPEAR AFTER 21 MILES UNDERGROUND, IN A FIELD BETWEEN FOXHOLES AND WOLD NEWTON: THE LARGEST OF NUMEROUS SPRINGS, CRYSTAL-CLEAR, FORMING A SMALL LAKE, WHENCE FLOWS THE STREAM CALLED THE GYPSEY RACE.

A mysterious Yorkshire stream, intermittent and partly subterranean, known as the Gypsey Race (Gypsey pronounced with a hard "g"), and in its beginnings as the Woe (or War) Waters of the Wolds, is now flowing again after having run dry for several years. "Its reappearance [to quote "The Times"] is said to foretell disaster or misfortune, usually national, sometimes local." As long ago as the twelfth century it was held to presage famine. Michael Drayton said it meant "penurious dearth," and Defoe declared that from it would "certainly ensue famine or plague." "The Times" writer goes on to say: "It was under the banks of the Gypsey Race at Bridlington that Queen Henrietta Maria hid when, in February 1643, the house in which she was staying was bombarded by

the Parliamentary Fleet. According to tradition the Gypsey Race was running before the restoration of Charles II., before the Great Plague, and—apparently, before the landing of William of Orange." This last orcasion would appear to indicate a change in its political sympathies regarding the Stuarts! "It is said to have been flowing [we read] before the fall of the meteor at Wold Newton in 1795, before many bad storms and floods, and before the Great War. Some people on the Wolds still associate its rise with national misfortune and believe that the War Waters mean war." It is easier to suppose a climatic connection with floods and storms, or periods of drought. As a rule the stream flows once in several years, for a few months only, disappearing usually in early summer.

PERSONALITIES OF THE WEEK:



BARON VON STOHRER, THE GERMAN DIPLOMAT, SHAKING HANDS WITH R.A.F. OFFICERS WHO RESCUED HIM IN THE EGYPTIAN DESERT.

Baron von Stohrer, German Minister in Cairo, disappeared in the desert on April 18. He had started from the Pyramids to motor to Baharia, but his steering broke. After some days British and Egyptian military aeroplanes set out to search for him; and, on April 23, he was located south-west of Baharia oasis.



CHAMBERLAIN ENTERTAINED BY DURING HIS PRIVATE VISIT TO DR. BENESH DURING HIS PRI CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain, on a private visit to Central Europe, left Vienna for Czechoslovakia on April 20. They had lunch with the President, Dr. Benesh. At Prague Sir Austen was entertained by Dr. Krofta, the Czechoslovak Foreign Minister. Subsequently, Sir Austen visited Hungary.

PEOPLE IN THE PUBLIC EYE.



BRITISH GLIDING RECORD :

MAKER OF A BRITISH CLIDING RECORD: MR. SLATER
IN THE ENGLISH-BUILT MACHINE IN WHICH HE FLEW
NEARLY EIGHTY MILES.

Mr. A. L. Slater, a garage proprietor of Matlock, set up, on April 19, what appears to be a record in a British-made glider; with a flight of nearly 80 miles. He was launched at Hucklow, in Derbyshire, and reached the East Coast in about an hour and a half.
His glider was built by Mr. Slater and a friend.



MR. E. VINCENT HARRIS, A.R.A., F.R.I.B.A. Elected an A.R.A., April 23. The distinguished architect who has designed the new £1,750,000 Government offices which are to be built in Whitehall. Architect of Leeds Civic Hall, Manchester Central Library, and many other public buildings.



MR. HARRY MORLEY, A.R.A. known painter. Elected an A.R.A.



THE MASTER OF THE WRECKED "HERZOGIN CECILIE": CAPT. SVEN ERIKSON AND HIS WIFE. Capt. Sven Erikson, master of the "Herzogin Cecilie," had made the voyage to Australia and back eight times in this famous vessel. He was accompanied by his wife at the time of the wreck. She was formerly Miss Pamela Bourne, a B.A. of Oxford, and the daughter of the late Sir Ronald Bourne, Secretary of Defence in the Transvaal.



THE DEATH OF THE KING OF EGYPT: HIS LATE MAJESTY KING FUAD I

King Fuad of Egypt died on April 24. His Majesty, who was born on March 26, 1868, succeeded his brother on the Egyptian throne in October 1917, with the title of Sultan; being the ninth ruler of the line of Mohammed Ali. He took the title of King when the British protectorate terminated in 1922. The heirapparent, Prince Faruk, has been residing in England, in preparation for his entry into the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.



THE FRENCH GENERAL ELECTIONS: M. LEBRUN, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, DROPPING HIS VOTE INTO THE BALLOT-BOX. A heavy poll was recorded in the General Election in France on April 26. There was early evidence of a distinct swing to the Left, and the Communists increased their seats. The second ballot was fixed for May 3, large numbers of seats being undecided in the first.



MR. BERNARD VAN DIEREN. The prominent composer and musical critic. Died April 24; aged forty-eight. He was of Dutch extraction and first came to London as a newspaper correspondent. His comic opera, "The Tailor," is announced for performance this autumn.



MR. HOLFORD KNIGHT, K.C.
Recorder of West Ham since 1930. Died April 26; aged fifty-nine. M.P. (Labour), South Nottingham, 1929; being returned for National Labour in 1931 with a majority of 12,000. Standing Counsel to the Royal Mint, 1911-30.



M. DROUILLET, AERONAUTICAL ADVISER TO THE EMPEROR OF ABYSSINIA (LEFT).

It was stated that the French authorities were seeking to arrest M. René Drouillet on the charge of "misappropriating a confiscated object." M. Drouillet had bought an American machine for the Emperor, but this was confiscated in Paris. Under pretext of overhauling the engine, M. Drouillet had it started up, and flew off.



SCIENCE. THE



THE LOOFAH, OR TOWEL-GOURD.

By W. P. PYCRAFT, F.Z.S., Author of "Camouflage in Nature," "The Courtship of Animals," "Random Gleanings from Nature's Fields," etc.

HAVE to record my very grateful thanks to Mrs. Annie Reynolds, of Jamaica, who sent me recently a box of shells-for I had none from that far-distant region—and, besides, a strange-looking body, labelled "a strainer." I confess that, for the moment, it puzzled me. Since it came with sea-shells, I jumped to the conclusion that it must be the skeleton of some kind of marine organism. Each end of this cylindrical body was open, and showed four well-defined tubes running the entire length; but the structure, a cylindrical mesh-work, as a whole, seemed more like vegetable-fibre than anything else I could think of. And so it turned out, for a closer examination showed it to be a small specimen of the familiar "loofah" of the bathroom! But I had never before seen one in, approximately, its natural state. And I had never had the curiosity to examine or consider the nature of the commercial loofah.

When I set myself to explore this theme carefully, I found it surprisingly interesting. To begin with, I discovered that the "loofah," or "towelgourd," is the skeleton of a species of gourd allied to the cucumber. The group includes a very large number of species, many of which are cultivated, some as "fruits," some as vegetables, and some as garden curiosities, from their strange shapes and colours. They are commonly known as "gourds," and either grown on pergolas or trailing on the ground after the manner of vegetable marrows or cucumbers. But the term "gourd," botanically, has a wider use, and includes the loofah, of which two species have a commercial value.

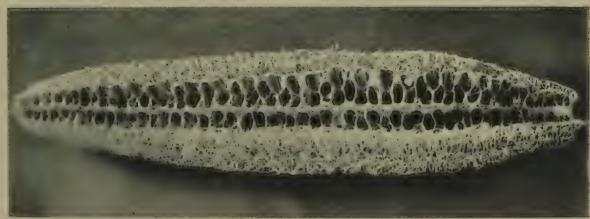
The West Indian loofah is the fruit of Luffa cylindrica, and is there used, my correspondent tells me, not only as a bath-sponge and flesh-rubber, but for "dozens of other things," including slippers and hats, while they are no less valued in the kitchen for washing up dishes. The other species, Luffa agyptiaca, or L. acutangula, seems, however, to be the one more generally used as a bath-sponge. ripe fruit resembles a rather slender vegetable marrow, and is of a rich, dark green colour. The "loofah" sold in the shops has been prepared by rotting away the soft tissue and dispersing it by sort of kneading with the hands in water, which

flattened bean. The general appearance of the flowers, which are yellow, fruit, leaves, and tendrils is well shown in Fig. 3. Though these two plants are now cultivated in all tropical and sub-tropical countries throughout the world, there is, on this account, uncertainty as to their geographical range

His shelter, however, lasted but a brief space. "worm" in the course of a night seriously damaged its roots, and at sunrise came "a vehement east wind," completing the work of destruction, for the withered leaves left the disconsolate prophet exposed, so that ' the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted.'



1. THE WEST INDIAN LOOPAH, OR TOWEL-GOURD (LUFFA CYLINDRICA) — A SPECIMEN FROM JAMAICA: THE SKELETON OF THE FRUIT OF A SPECIES OF THE CUCUMBER FAMILY; PREPARED BY ROTTING AWAY THE SOFT TISSUES AND SQUEEZING IT OUT BY HAND, TILL ONLY THE FIBROUS FRAMEWORK IS LEFT.



2. THE SAME SPECIMEN OF WEST INDIAN LOOFAH AFTER REMOVAL OF PART OF THE OUTER WALL; SHOWING THE TWO ROWS OF SEED POCKETS DIVIDED BY A CENTRAL AXIS.

On the other side of the loofah are two similar rows of seed pockets. In Jamaica it is used not only as a bath-sponge, but also for making hats and washing dishes. For such purposes this cylinder is split up and flattened out.

in the wild state. For in many places where they are now found "wild" there is a suspicion that they have spread from areas where they were cultivated, and therefore, perhaps, intro-duced from some far-distant land.

Of Luffa acutangula there still seems to be doubt as to whether the large number of specimens to be found in herbaria, from tropical Africa, were wild or cultivated plants. It is cultivated in the Nile Valley, and records show that it was grown in Egyptian gardens in the seventeenth century, under the Arabian name "luff," whence the name of the genus to-day, Luffa. But neither the ancient Egyptian monuments nor burials give any trace of it. In the Delta it is now grown not only for its fruit, but also for its seeds, from which a preparation is made by the "beauty specialists" for softening the skin. Though it is cultivated in Brazil and Mexico, there is no evidence that it occurs wild in any part of America. So far as the evidence goes, it would seem that Asia must be regarded as the true home of this plant; ranging from India to Burma, and thence, apparently by way of the Malay Peninsula, into Australia. The distribution of L. acutangula seems to agree with that of cylindrica.

All the gourd tribe make quick growth, sometimes surprisingly so. This seems to be especially true of the bottle-gourd (Cucurbita pepo). It is said that under favourable circumstances it will often grow a foot in the course of a day. Palestine and in parts of America, where it is cultivated, it is used for training over trellis-work

and for shading arbours. But the plant withers as rapidly as it shoots. After a storm or any injury to the stem, it immediately wilts and dies. This is the plant which the prophet Jonah used to cover, with its great leaves, the framework of boughs which he erected to protect himself from the sun when he went out from the city of Nineveh to nurse his wounded vanity, because it was not destroyed according to his prophecy!

There is another gourd famous in Scripture. This is Citrullus colocynthus—the "bitter-apple" which grows in great abundance on the barren sands near Gilgal and all round the Dead Sea. It will be remembered that during a time of famine Elisha came down to Gilgal to address the sons of the prophets, sending his servant meanwhile to "set on the great pot and seethe pottage for the sons of the prophets." Being new to the country, this servant presently found in a field "a wild vine and gathered thereof wild gourds, his lap full, and came and shred them into the pot of pottage." But the meal had scarcely begun when consternation fell upon their host at the cry "O thou man of God, there is death in the pot." The servant who had gathered these delicious-looking fruits, of the size and colour of oranges, knew nothing of their poisonous qualities, but supposed them to be as good to eat as the wild melon, or pumpkin, of his native place. The sons of the prophets doubtless knew well the dreadful consequences of eating the colocynth, and recognised it, at the very first taste, from its bitterness, thereby preventing disaster. For it should be explained that a very small portion of its "flesh" acts as a violent purgative: a "generous helping," as at a meal, would prove fatal.

A particularly fine specimen of one of the ornamental gourds, cultivated for the sake of their strange shapes and colours, has just been given me. I can hardly refrain from cutting it in two, to find where the seeds are, and where and how they are lodged. I expect they will be found within three egg-shaped bodies projecting above and lying within the centre of a great scarlet bowl, with a beautifully beaded edge. But I must get hold of three or four more of different shapes before I dare do this cutting, which must be done before I can describe them here, as I am anxious to do. And at the same time I hope to be able to say something of the edible species, which are numerous, and some produce fruits of enormous size, weighing, indeed, as much as 100 lb.



PART OF THE LOOFAH PLANT: A DRAWING SHOWING THE FORM OF THE LEAVES, CLIMBING-TENDRILS, AND BRIGHT YELLOW FLOWERS; AND THE RIPENING FRUIT (RIGHT) MARKED BY STRONG "RIBS."

removes not only the tissue but the seeds, till only this fibrous skeleton remains.

When the outer wall of one side of this skeleton is removed, a double series of cavities will be found (Fig. 2), divided by a partition. In these cavities the seeds are lodged. These are black, hard, nearly circular, and flattened, resembling in size a small

WITH THE ITALIANS IN NORTHERN, SOUTHERN, AND EASTERN



THE ROAD-MAKING WHICH ENABLED GENERAL GRAZIANI TO LAUNCH HIS ATTACK ON SASA BANEH AND THE HARRAR DISTRICT: NATIVE LABOURERS AT WORK ON A NEW ROAD ON THE GOODEN FRONT.



THE RAPID ADVANCE OF GENERAL STARACE'S FLYING COLUMN ON GONDAR:

TALIAN TROOPS MAKING A BRIDGE FOR THEIR VEHICLES OVER A STREAM.

IN COUNTRY WHERE A MECHANIZED FORCE OPERATED WITH SUCCESS.



THE ITALIAN FLAG FLIES OVER GONDAR: A VIEW
THROUGH AN ARCH BUILT BY THE PORTUGUESE IN
THE SIXTEENTH CENTURY.



THE PRINCESS OF PIEDMONT (SEATED, NEAREST THE CAMERA) AS A RED CROSS NURSE: ABOARD THE HOSPITAL SHIP "CESAREA" IN THE RED SEA.

CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE



A MASSIVE, TOWERING PORTUGUESE-BUILT WALL AT GONDAR: FORTIFICATIONS BUILT THERE WHEN GONDAR WAS THE CAPITAL OF THE COUNTRY.



THE PITABLE WEAPONS WITH WHICH ABYSSINIA IS TRYING TO OPPOSE A MODERN ARMY EQUIPPED WITH THE LATEST ENGINES OF WAR: ARTILLERY CAPTURED BY THE ITALIANS DURING THE TEMBIEN BATTLE.



THE MECHANIZED FLYING COLUMN THAT TOOK GONDAR UNDER GENERAL STARACE: SOME OF THE FIVE HUNDRED VEHICLES USED FOR THE RAID ON THE OLD CAPITAL; SHOWING PARK OF A PORTOGUESE BUILDING ON THE RIGHT.

The collapse of Abyasinian resistance in the north after the defeat of the Emperor at Lake Ashangi was followed by General Graziani's Iong-expected offensive on the Ogaden front. The attack began in the middle of April. By April 26 it was reported that the formidable system of defensive works constructed by the Abyasinians south of Sasa Baneh had been pierced after four days of despreta fighting. The Italian reports suggested that the way to Sasa Baneh and thence to Harrar was thereby made clear. Heavy bombing from the air, as is usual in the Italian attacks, played a big part in the

battle. General Graziani would, no doubt, have launched his attack sooner had it not been for the heavy rains which hampared his transport services. Our upper left-hand photograph shows men building one of the roads which were necessary before the advance could be made. A tremendous amount of such work had to be done, for a distance exceeding the total length of tally separated his advanced troops from the sea. Meanwhile, the Italians in the north continued their march south from Dessie towards Addis Ababa; and the forces commanded by General Starace completed their occupiation of

ABYSSINIA: PENETRATING INTO THE HEART OF THE COUNTRY.



THE SECRETARY OF THE FASCIST PARTY PITCHES HIS TENT WITHIN THE WALLS OF GONDAR, ONCE THE HOME OF ADVISSINIAN KINGS: GENERAL STARACE'S QUARTERS AFTER HIS OCCUPATION OF THE TOWN.



THE LEADER OF THE SWIFT RAID ON GONDAR AND LAKE TANA: LIEUTENANT-GENERAL STARACE,
THE SECRETARY OF THE FASCIST PARTY, WHOSE TROOPS ARE NOW IN OCCUPATION OF THE
WHOLE LAKE TANA DISTRICT.



THE NEW THRUST BY THE ITALIANS INTO EASTERN ABYSSINIA ACROSS THE DANAKIL DESERT: THEIR FLAG FLYING OVER THE FORT AT SARDO AFTER A MARCH OF 220 MILES FROM ASSAB.



INSIDE AN ITALIAN AEROPLANE FLYING OVER THE DANAMIL DESERT DURING THE MARCH ON SARDO I THE WHEELESS OFERATOR IN COMMUNICATION WITH HIS DASK AT ASSAM, ON THE RED SAL—IN ONE OF THE TWENTY-TIPE MACHINES OFERATION THERE.

the Lake Tana zone. A column based on Gondar was stated on April 25 to have reached Badar Glyoris, at the southermost tip of the lake—the spot where a dam and regulator would be built if ever an attempt is made to harness the waters of the Blue Nile. Here the Italians begin to enter the province of Goljam, where they would probably be welcomed by the inhabitants who recently took part in a revolt against the Emperor. The two lower photographs on the right-hand page deal with a third point of Italian invasion. At the very beginning of the war there were reports of

operations near Mount Mussaili, on the French Somailland border, but little more was heard of activity in this sector, the southern Danakil desert, until Marshal Badoglio telegraphed as follows on March 31: "An Italian force which started from Assab, after a daring march of 350 kilometres made particularly difficult in parts by the great heat, the configuration of the ground and the absolute lack of resources, has reached and occupied Sardo, in the heart of the Aussa territory near the River Hawash. On March II the tricolour was hoisted over the residence of the Sutian of Aussa."

BOOKS

reviewer feels the impulse of spring, and, undeterred by the rough winds that shake "the darling buds of May," desires to go forth into the wild and revel in the returning vitality of nature. If circumstances prevent him from so adventuring in person, he can do it vicariously through others' books. Moreover, apart from the call of the season, there are moments when the human world becomes a little depressing; a world too full of hatred, malice, and all uncharitableness, of war-mongers, militarists, revolutionaries, and all sorts of other tiresome people bent on making trouble. Thus it is refreshing to turn awhile from the species ironically known as homo sapiens to the "lower" creation.

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Among new books concerned with natural history and wild life, one of the most recent and comprehensive is "Parage of the Annual and comprehensive is "Parade of the Animal Kingdom." By Robert Hegner, Ph.D., Professor of Protozoölogy in the Johns Hopkins University. Assisted by Jane Z. Hegner, formerly Instructor in the University of Missouri. With over 700 Illustrations (New York: the Macmillan Co.; 21s.). This is a picturesque quarto volume surveying aniis a picturesque quarto volume surveying animal life, from the most primitive to the most highly developed forms, and written in easy and entertaining style with a modicum of technicality. It is obviously intended It is obviously intended more for the general reader than the specialising student, but it should be invaluable to schoolteachers. The author conveys briskly a vast amount of information, dwelling on the habits and characteristics of creatures, rather than on anatomical minutiæ, and the interest is greatly the interest is greatly enhanced by the wealth

ofadmirablephotographs.

His survey does not profess to be exhaustive.

"In the following pages," he writes, "only a small number of representative species are described and only a small fraction of what is known about each species is presented."

Professor Hegner has enlivened his work with humour and flavoured it with literary allusion. Thus, for example, he quotes Mark Twain on evolution and the Book of Job on the speed of the ostrich. Evidently he is fond of Biblical comment, for he has a happy quip on the cargo of the Ark, and its commander's unrivalled opportunities for nature study. "If," he says, "we could emulate Noah and review a Parade of the Animal Kingdom containing a pair of every species of animal known to science, and if these animals were to march by at the rate of one pair every three seconds, more than a month would elapse before the Gorilla would make his appearance. No one knows how many different kinds, or species, of animals are now living on the earth, but three million is certainly a conservative estimate. . . . Noah must have heaved a sigh of relief when the Gorillas finally entered the Ark and the gang-plank was hauled in. We hope they all had a pleasant time on board. We know that every species landed safely on Mount Ararat, since it has been our privilege to describe their descendants in this book." Professor Hegner has enlivened his work with humour

For beauty of illustration in nature subjects, I have never seen anything to beat the paintings and drawings that form the chief feature of a large and exquisitely produced work entitled "Morning Flight." Written and Illustrated by Peter Scott. With sixteen Plates in Colour and forty-eight in Black and White (Country Life, Ltd.: Limited edition of 750; £3 3s. each). This magnificent "book of pictures," as the author calls it, is the work of a devotee, and that is why it is so good, both on the pictorial and the literary side. Whole-hearted enthusiasm is evident when, in a description of a sea-shore we read: "The scene is as flat and drab and uneventful as it could be. But the sudden call of a pack of wild geese can transform it, for me, into the most thrilling scene in England." And again: "Heard above the rushing of the wind, the cry of wild geese can be overwhelmingly sad. The nightingale and the black cap and the curlew are nature's soloists, but the geese are her chorus, as rousing, over the high sand, as the "Sanctus" of Bach's B minor Mass. As they flight at dawn one can imagine that each successive skein brings in the fugue, "Pleni sunt cali...." Like a symphony of Beethoven, the call of the geese is everlasting, and those who have once known and loved it can never tire of hearing it."

Lest the reader should think, however, that the author writes entirely in this serious emotional strain, let him turn—for a specimen of his lively humour—to the story of Florence and Percival, an idyll of the Round Pond in Kensington Gardens, concerning a bad mother and an "eternal triangle" in the world of ducks. To appreciate Mr. Scott's quality as an artist, it is not necessary to be an enthusiast on wildfowl. Over and above his consummate skill in rendering their forms, plumage, and flight movements, the natural settings in which he represents them prove him a master of landscape and seascape.

Wildfowling is not the only sport that suggests to its historians analogies from music. Another example occurs

Another example occurs in a delicious little book of fishing sketches and reminiscences, "ALEXof fishing sketches and reminiscences, "ALEX-ANDER AND ANGLING." By R. Sinclair Carr ("Salfario"). With Line Drawings by Roy Beddington (Chatto and Windus; 7s. 6d.). Fish, not being vocal, do not arouse memories of Bach and Beethoven; but in a passage on the importance of keeping out of the trout's line of vision we read: "When Izaak Waltonsaid, 'Get secretly behind a tree, and stand Waltonsaid, 'Get secretly behind a tree, and stand as free from motion as possible,' he knew quite well how difficult this is....' As free from motion as possible.' What a task is set us! There are anglers whose rod manipulation would do credit to a Beecham or a Henry Wood but might well break a Walton's well break a Walton's heart.... I believe that in many streams trout know the difference be-tween a rod, a walking-stick, or an umbrella!"

Mr. Carr recounts diverting incidents on a Border stream in the pursuit of trout and salmon, and, as in the above quotation, sage advice may be imparted in anecdotal guise. The reader will want to know



CAPTAIN BLIGH, OF "BOUNTY" FAME: A PENCIL DRAWING DONE BY HENRY ASTON BARKER IN 1805, SIXTEEN YEARS AFTER THE MUTINY.

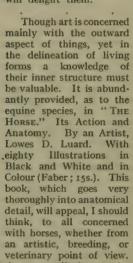
A COCONUT CUP WHICH BELONGED TO JOHN ADAMS, ONE OF THE MUTINEERS; BEARING THE INSCRIPTION "FROM ADAMS, PITCAIRNS ISLAND, ONLY SURVIVOR OF THE "BOUNTY," 1828."

Of these interesting relics of the mutiny in the "Bounty," to which we have given considerable attention in recent issues, the portrait and the cutlass are in the possession of Captain H. Littlehales Barker, a great-great-grandson of Captain Bligh. The coconut cup, now owned by Mr. R. Lionel Foster, belonged to John Adams during his life on Pitcairn Island.

course, who Alexander was. course, who Alexander was. Needless to say, he was not "the great Emathian conqueror." He was, in fact, a water bailiff. "dignified, a little stern," with "a very proper sense of duty to his Conservators," but withal a kindly man, and "a good friend to all fair and honest sportsmen." Above all, it is Alexander's pawky Scots talk that provides the main inspiration of the author's dry humour. This book is one that no angler should miss.

With Mr. Carr's book may appropriately be bracketed another small work deriving from the same inexhaustible source of interest, but less colloquial in method—namely, "By the Water's Side." A Book of Fishing Memories. By H. Langford Brown. Illustrated with Photographs and with Drawings by Theodora Brown (Philip Allan; 5s.). The author began his angling career as a boy at Winchester, where he learned "the gentle art" from a noted adept therein, a school-fellow afterwards famous as Lord Grey of Fallodon. Mr. Brown recalls his own experiences on the Itchen, the Wylye, the Teign and the Torridge, and northern Scottish waters.

What is done for wild-fowling in Peter Scott's "picture-book" is done with equal gusto for "picture-book" is done with equal gusto for fox-hunting by a well-known sporting artist, whose work is familiar to our readers, in "A LEICESTERSHIRE SKETCH-BOOK." Written and Illustrated by Lionel Edwards, R.I. With eight Colour-Plates and thirty-six in Black and White (London Eyre and Spottiswoode; New York: Scribner; 21S.). Mr. Edwards, who has the spirit of the chase New York: Schiller; 21s.). Mr. Edwards, who has the spirit of the chase in his blood, has never been happier in his portrayal of its setting and circumstance. His illustrations and running commentary treat of several leading packs—the Quorn, Cottesmore, Atherstone, Belvoir, and Fernie's. The landscape side of the famous hunting country is beautifully represented in the colour illustrations, while the drawings deal more with the drawatic and personal aspect of the sport. Now that the season is over, hunting folk may is over, hunting folk may have more time for read-ing, and this ample volume will delight them.



ADRIFT BY THE MUTINEERS. with horses, whether from an artistic, breeding, or veterinary point of view.

I thought possibly there might be some allusion to the much-discussed horse of the Haig Memorial, but the author seems to have avoided this somewhat controversial fence. Another very useful and instructive book of kindred interest, on a less elaborate scale, is "Horse Facts." A Study of Points of the Horse and Equine Mechanism. By Major A. J. R. Lamb, D.S.O., late of the Queen's Bays. Fully illustrated (Hurst and Blackett; 8s. 6d.; postage, 6d.). If I kept a stable—as, with an equestrian granddaughter, may some day come to pass—I should acquire both these books.

Here I must mention a new addition to the Sportsman's Library—"Fox-Hunting." By William Fawcett. Illustrated (Philip Allan; 5s.). This readable little work includes an interesting chapter on the private life of Mr. and Mrs. Fox. "There is no prettier sight," we read, "in the whole world of nature than a family of fox-cubs at play." Another new volume in the same series is "Fencing Tactics." By Percy E. Nobbs. With a Historical Chapter by Archibald H. Corble.

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A RELIC OF THE MUTINY IN THE "BOUNTY": ONE IN THE "BOUNTY": ONE OF THE FOUR CUTLASSES THAT BLIGH WAS ALLOWED TO TAKE IN THE BOAT WHEN HE WAS CAST ADRIFT BY THE MUTINEERS.

I. "MODESTY AND VANITY."—BY BERNARDINO LUINI (BORN C. 1475; DIED AFTER 1533): A CHARACTERISTIC AND EXCEPTIONALLY FINE WORK PRESENTED TO THE FINE ARTS GALLERY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.



2. "THE DUTCH FAMILY,"—BY FRANS HALS (1580-1666); A WORK WHICH WAS IN PRIVATE COLLECTIONS IN MOSCOW AND NORWAY: PRESENTED TO THE FINE ARTS GALLERY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.



3. "PORTRAIT OF CANON JEAN DE CARONDELET." (LATER, ARCHBISHOP OF PALERMO.) — BY JAN GOSSART; CALLED MABUSE (c. 1470-1533): PRESENTED TO THE TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART, TOLEDO, OHIO.

photograph states: "In 1503 Canon Jean de Carondelet was appointed Secretary to Charles V.; and in 1526 he became Provost of St. Donatian's, Bruges, and Chan-cellor of Flanders. Later, he was Archbishop of Palermo."—4. The "Anne Haden," by Whistler, was sold to Messrs. M. Knoedler recently, when the collection of Henry Graves, Jnr., was auctioned by the American Art Association - Anderson Galleries, New York.——5. The sixteenth-century Flemish painting of the marriage of King Henry VI. and Margaret of Anjou in 1445 was presented by Mr. Edward Drummond Libbey.

5. Right: "THE
MARRIAGE OF KING
HENRY VI."—
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MASTERPIECES THAT HAVE CHANGED HANDS: PICTURES "IN THE NEWS" IN THE U.S.A.

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4. A DRYPOINT BY JAMES MCNEILL WHISTLER (1834-1903) WHICH HAS BEEN SOLD FOR 2600 DOLLARS IN NEW YORK: "ANNE HADEN."

THE works here illustrated have changed hands in the United States of late. The following notes concern them.—I. This was purchased from the Lilienfeld Galleries, New York, and given to the San Diego Fine Arts Gallery by an anonymous donor. Dr. Valentiner, Director of the Detroit Art Institute, has described it as a characteristic and exceptionally fine painting by Bernardino Luini.—2. "The Dutch Family" was purchased in the same way and given by the same donor. It has been in a private collection in Moscow and in another in Norway.—3. This work was presented by Mr. William E. Lewis. A note accompanying our





The World of the Kinema.

By MICHAEL ORME.



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THE old Cinema House in Oxford Street, now converted into Studio One and Studio Two—the first devoted to fictional films of unusual interest, and the second to news-reels and shorts—strengthens the sinews of the Little Kinema movement not only by the comfort and the harmonious colour-scheme of an up-to-date picture-house, but by the nature of its programmes. The quiet browns and ambers of its auditorium are restful. In the greatest comfort you may concentrate on the fare offered at Studio One. The second item on the menu is as worthy of attention as was the first, "Veille d'Armes." The talking version of "The Student of Prague" is the last picture directed by Dr. Arthur Robison, who died suddenly during the making of this arresting piece of work. It may be that a long experience of film-going, extending back into the forgotten glories of the silent era, is a vital contribution to the appreciation of a leisurely production such as this German drama, in which symbolism and psychology join hands. The younger generation, with no memories of the past to buttress their pleasure in the present, may well vote the tempo of Dr. Robison's direction too deliberate, his frequent use of silent technique and pictorial significance too heavy, the study of a tortured mind, gradually and deliberately driven into madness, merely dull. We are not accustomed nowadays to an intensity of meaning allocated to every gesture and to get the product of the policy of t

the study of a tortured mind, gradually and deliberately driven into madness, merely dull. We are not accustomed nowadays to an intensity of meaning allocated to every gesture and to each spoken word. It is out of harmony with an era of high pressure and the fetish of speed. Certainly "The Student of Prague" recalls the grand old days of German films, the days when Dupont's "Vaudeville" made history and Lang's "Siegfried" filled a mighty canvas with the monumental splendour befitting its legendary conflict. Would we find the action of such memorable pieces intolerably slow according to modern standards? I wonder. Surely the quality of "The Street," made some twelve years ago by Karl Grune (who, by the way, has directed "The Marriage of Corbal," soon to be presented at the Leicester Square Theatre), would still survive! And Leni's macabre "Waxworks," in which Conrad Veidt's brilliant portrayal of Ivan the Terrible attained to tragic heights; Murnau's "Faust"; and the fantastic, grippingly dramatic enlargement of the ombres chinoises—favoured by our forefathers—in "Warming Shadows," with its memorable performance by Fritz Rasp, could still, I fancy, move us by their power and that vision find their echo in "The Student of Prague," for those who have the purpose and the patience to hear and to see. The old German legend of the penniless young student who bargained away his better self to the Devil in exchange for unlimited wealth has furnished a subject for several writers and found its way to the screen in a couple of silent versions. In 1912 Paul Wegener used it as a stellar vehicle, and fourteen years later Conrad Veidt scord a hit in the part of the ill-fated student. The intervening years have not dispelled the impression made by this fine actor in a rôle that suited his personality most admirably. Dr. Robison, working on the story as told by Hans Heinz Ewers, has eleverly suggested an element of hypnotism which I do not remember in the earlier versions, and which reduces the supernatural sufficiently to perm

tragedy in his flight from the haunting spectre of his "better self," and all the panache of a gallant fighter in his conduct of two brilliantly staged duels. The whole picture is rich in pictorial values, and in the director's use of shadows, of silences pregnant with meaning, of settings carefully devised to emphasise the tensity of the atmosphere, it does undoubtedly conform to the technique of a romantic era, when the musical accompaniment was of paramount importance and none of us was in a hurry. Dr. Robison, one of the "avant-garde" directors, stimulated our imagination then. He has done it once more, I contend, in "The Student of Prague."



"THE HAPPY HYPOCRITE," AT HIS MAJESTY'S: LORD GEORGE HELL, THE VICIOUS REGENCY ARISTOCRAT (IVOR NOVELLO; LEFT), WEARING THE MASK OF A SAINT, FACES HIS ANGRY MISTRESS, LA GAMBOGI (ISABEL JEANS), IN THE SHOP OF THE MASK-MAKER, MR. ÆNEAS.—[Photograph by Stage Photo. Co.]

"THESE THREE."

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The spectacle of children subjected to mental torment from which their youth should have kept them immune is not particularly edifying, and when the young actresses involved in such a situation bring to it such complete sincerity and keen perception as in "These Three," the new Samuel Goldwyn production at the Leicester Square Theatre, it is an experience not free from pain. Nevertheless, it is just this situation and its ruthless interpretation that lends strength to an otherwise somewhat sentimental play. The trio of the title is composed of two charming girl graduates and a young country doctor who helps them in transforming a tumble-down old farm into a select school for young ladies. Cupid gets busy—in fact, a great deal too busy, for both girls fall in love



LORD GEORGE HELL COVETS THE MASK OF A SAINT TO DISGUISE HIS HIDEOUS COUNTENANCE: IVOR NOVELLO AS THE VICIOUS ARISTOCRAT.

Photograph by Angus McBean.

In "The Happy Hypocrite," the 'play based on Max Beerbohm's story by Clem and Richard Addinsell, that debauched aristocrat, Lord George Hell, has in life developed a countenance so repulsive that every decent man or woman shit. But he falls in love with an innocent village maiden, and, in order that may prosper, he purchases a mask of saintly beauty at the shop of the m Mr. Æneas. His life of love with the damsel so changes his nature that when later, the mask is torn from him by one of his mistresses, his face is seen to ha as pure and beautiful as the mask. The ex-mistress is defeated by this deand Lord George and Jenny Mere are happily united.

with their champion, and though their close friendship excludes any idea of rivalry, though the blonde Miriam Hopkins sorrowfully stands aside to leave the field clear for the brunette Merle Oberon, a nasty-minded child successfully shatters not only romance but the prosperity of the school into the bargain. For her own ends this bad little girl spreads malicious gossip and forces a good little girl to aid and abet her. A preposterously foolish and interfering relative, who, one feels, would never have been tolerated in any school, however dilettante, fosters dissension by a garrulity that ultimately opens a loophole for the truth, indirectly paving the way for the lovers' happiness and a hearty smack belatedly administered to the obnoxious child.

The adults in this interrupted scholastic idyll behave and talk in the manner of the novelette. They conduct their affairs according to the requirements of the dramatic condict rather than in

in the manner of the novelette. They conduct their affairs according to the requirements of the dramatic conflict rather than in obedience to the dictates of common sense. Their united and astonishingly tactless onslaught on the great lady of the district, the dupe of her crafty grand-daughter, is merely an occasion for verbal fireworks, and about as unlikely to clear up a misunderstanding as a dose of poisongas. It is, therefore, greatly to the credit of Miss Oberon and Miss Hopkins, with the sturdy support of Mr. Joel McCrea, that they manage to win our sympathy and hold our interest. Miss Hopkins has to suffer and yearn in silence as often as she has to explode in wholly justified denunciation of her nit-witted aunt. She



WEARING THE MASK OF A SAINT: LORD GEORGE HELL (IVOR NOVELLO) WITH JENNY MERE (VIVIEN LEIGH), THE INNOCENT MAID FOR WHOSE SAKE HE ASSUMES THE MASK.—[Photograph by Angus McBean.]

does so with extreme intelligence. Miss Oberon's delicately composed portrait of the more fortunate schoolmistress has a limpid beauty and a candour that no twist of the action, however deliberate, can unbalance. Her emotions, grave or gay, are honestly and quietly revealed, and her radiant reunion with her banished lover is a lovely moment to be treasured. There is, then, no fault to be found with the adults if the real interest of this play centres in the cause of all their trouble, the lying and deceitful child and her âme damnée, a good little girl under the domination of a master-mind. Bonita Granville and Marcia Mae Jones attack these two well-observed characters with amazing understanding and an assurance far beyond their years. Not since Robert Lynen's great performance in "Poil de Carotte" have I seen youthful tribulation so poignantly stated. Bonita Granville's study of a warped, hysterical nature, revelling in its power to destroy and to prevail, is remorseless in its truth, and her victim's struggles in the clutch of her evil genius brings the pathos of the child to the edge of tragedy in the hands of Marcia Mae Jones. The two performances deserve to be judged by the standards of maturity, far removed as they are from the pretty precocity of the juvenile star.



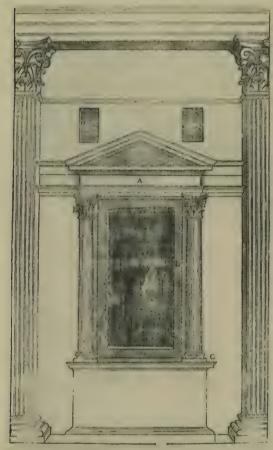


COLLECTORS.



By FRANK DAVIS.

THE room illustrated here is so distinguished that it is difficult to understand why it has not long since attained an almost legendary fame. One reason is, I suppose, because we are an incorrigibly



I. THE CLASSICAL MODEL WHICH PROBABLY INSPIRED THE DECORATION OF THE HAYNES GRANGE ROOM: A WOODCUT (FROM A MANUAL SERLIO) SHOWING PART OF THE INTERIOR THE PANTHEON.—FOR COMPARISON WITH THE ROOM ITSELF; SEEN IN FIG. 2.

The Haynes Grange Room was acquired for the nation in 1928. It came from Houghton House, which was dismantled in 1794, when many of its interior fittings dismantled in 1794, when many of its interior fittings were put into houses in the neighbourhood. Houghton House was built in 1615, so that this pine room stands out as an extremely pure piece of Jacobean classicism. Inigo Jones was in Rome in 1614 and examined the Pantheon there, making an interesting note of his impressions in his own copy of Palladio. The tradition that he was responsible for the design of Houghton House may well represent the truth.

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sentimental people, and like to have a definite story attached to objects of art before we can be persuaded that they are really firstclass things. People rush to see David Garrick's bedroom, or the Great Bed of Ware, or the Chinese-Chippendale bed from Badminton because such relics of the past are obviously romantic: this room from Haynes Grange has more subtle qualities, and these are not such as make an immediate appeal to the casual visitor to the Victoria and Albert Museum. Thanks to the enthusiasm of Mr. H. Clifford Smith and the generosity of some forty con-tributors, the room was acquired for the nation at a cost of £4000 in 1928, and has since then been set up in the Octagon Court at South Kensington. In my opinion, it makes everything else in its immediate neighbourhood look like Addis Ababa as compared to Rome—rather gimerack. This is partly due to its noble proportions, partly to its restraint, and partly to its rich colour-ing, for the original pine has turned to a warm amber.

It appears reasonably certain that at one time the room was at Houghton House, built

by Mary, Countess of Pembroke about the year 1615. The ruins of this great Jacobean mansion were purchased by public subscription in 1929 and are now in the safe hands of the Office of Works. Houghton was Houghton was bought by the fourth Duke of Bedford in 1738, and was completely renovated under the direction of Sir William Chambers (Somerset-House-and-Kew-Gardens-Pagoda Chambers) in 1764 for the Duke's son, Francis, Marquess of Tavistock, who was accidentally killed by a fall from his horse three years later. Lord Tavistock's young wife died soon afterwards, and the contents of the place were dispersed. In 1794 the building was completely dismantled and the roof taken off; various fittings are still identifiable among great houses in the county. Presumably the pine room was taken away at this dispersal and fitted up at Haynes Grange, a farm-house in the neighbourhood, where it remained until 1909. that it was placed in a special annexe built for it at the town house of Sir Edmund Davis, and thence came into the possession of the nation. apologise for pointing out that this means it belongs to you and me, but the number of people who cease to take any interest in their own property once they have received official notification that it really is theirs is enormous: I can only suggest that, of all the good things in the department of woodwork in the V. and A., this is the one most worth a special visit.

Now, up to the end of the seventeenth century it was the invariable custom in this country to panel walls with oak and to break the surface up into small panels. There are one or two instances in Scotland pine-panelled rooms of an earlier date, but this Haynes Grange room is accepted as the earliest pine room in England. Its origin remained a mystery until Mr. H. J. Harding, A.R.I.B.A., of the Royal College of Art, pointed out that its design is adapted—

almost frankly copied—from the interior of the Pantheon at Rome. Fig. 1 is a reproduction of a wood-cut from Serlio's "The Third Book of Architecture," printed at Venice in 1540, showing one of the bays of the Pantheon, and a comparison with the photograph of the room itself is convincing enough without further comment. Whether Inigo Jones himself was responsible for the design is not certain. There is a tradition that Inigo Jones designed Houghton House, or, rather, improved upon the brick structure put up by John Thorpe: if that is so, it is reasonable to suppose that this purely classic room was also designed by him-and, it may be added, designed with admirable restraint, if one may compare with its sober delicacy the flamboyant painting pare with its sober delicacy the flamboyant painting of the Barber-Surgeons' hall in London. There is no trace of paint, and the only mark of what we are accustomed to call Jacobean decoration is the conventional strapwork on certain parts: otherwise pilasters, capitals, etc., are pure rich classicism. Mr. Harding sums up as follows—

"It is significant that on May 31, 1614, Inigo

Jones was examining the Pantheon and made this marginal note in his Palladio: 'This temple I observed exactly ye last of Maye 1614 and have noated what I found more than is in palladio.' Identification of the sources of the design and the boldness of the adaptation [from stone to wood] give strength to the tradition which attributes the work to Inigo Jones. He spent much time in Rome absorbing the spirit of the antique buildings. He had a well-used volume of Palladio, purchased in 1601, and now preserved with others of his books at Worcester College, Oxford. There is reason to believe that he possessed a Serlio also, and we recall that both books were published in Venice, where he spent many months of study. In 1615, when Houghton House was built, he was fresh back from his last important visit to Italy."

The plaster ceiling, as can be seen in the photograph, is decorated with rows of pigeons in flight, a highly original design markedly differ-ent from the normal geometrical mouldings of the period.

For those who must have a story attached to works of art, I hasten to add that, to the inspired tinker of Bedford, Houghton was "The House Beautiful" (all Bunyan authorities agree on this point). Bunyan was cer-tainly familiar with the exterior of this great mansion, and it is just within the bounds of pos-sibility that, by the kindness of one of the servants, he might have stood in this room, and that something of its quiet spirit played a part in the writing of "The Pilgrim's Pro-gress." Readers who require more detailed inform-ation will find it in a small book on saleattheMuseum or through the booksellers (The Haynes Grange Room. V. and A. Museum, Dept. of Woodwork. Price 2s.).



THE HAYNES GRANGE ROOM, WHICH WAS IN HOUGHTON HOUSE AND IS NOW IN THE VICTORIA AND THE EARLIEST KNOWN ENGLISH PINE ROOM; SHOWING ITS STRIKING SIMILARITY TO TERIOR IN FIG. 1, FROM WHICH, INDEED, IT WAS IN ALL PROBABILITY DERIVED, THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF INIGO JONES. MUSEUM: THE PANTHEON INTERIOR IN FIG.

This England...



UR fathers built many an airy miracle in stone that wind and weather have but enriched. And the men who wrought so finely were themselves fine wrought by the wind and weather of tradition. Much of their slow and thoughtful care in the making of good things is with us still—sometimes in unsuspected places. Your simple glass of Worthington, for instance, embodies all that is best in the tradition of brewing fine English beer for fine English craftsmen. You like Worthington because you find it good — you find it good because it is part of your great heritage.



Fountains and Greenhouses.

There is an allure and fascination about a fountain that cannot be explained. The Greeks understood the art of designing them, and many centuries afterwards the wondrous fountains at Versailles came into being. Now Harrods of Knightsbridge have a large staff of artists and landscape gardeners, and are always pleased to submit designs and estimates for the lay-out of new gardens or the remodelling and improving of old ones. Among their other activities is the building of ponds and fountains, the ornaments being guaranteed against any weather in any climate. As details are always more interesting than generalities, attention must be drawn to the fountain at the top of this page; it is £19 19s., and the price includes pedestal ornaments, crazy pavements, and stones—indeed, everything except the flowers. As many people have small motors, one need not be acquired; here there are motors for £5 5s. This fountain plays daily in the Harrods' salons, where it is companioned with other models, as well as sylvan and other garden furniture. Catalogues, including those devoted to garden needs, will gladly be sent on application. Not a novelty, but ever so useful, are the miniature garden hot-frames; they are of wood with glass panels. The top panel can be opened and closed at will, and the cost is merely 5s. 6d. Portable greenhouses are available from £14. The framework is of strong deal, properly mortised and tenoned. The base consists of framework covered outside with best tongued and grooved boarding; there are two glass ends and a half-glass door.

Feeding-Tables and Baths for Birds.

It is not possible for everyone to own a bird sanctuary; nevertheless, those who have gardens may arrange "comforts" for birds. In Harrods' salons are shown an infinite variety of the same. There is the bird-feeding table and stand on the left of this page, complete with wooden feeding-bowl inside and holes for entry of the birds in the roof, which is thatched with a waterproof material, and free hanging

is thatched with a waterproof material, and free litt-bells. The cost is 59s. 6d.: there are other bird-tables—naturally not so elaborate—for 20s., or, with heather thatched roofs, 30s. Stone garden ornaments, one of which finds pictured expression below, range from Cupids at 15s. to Peter Pan statues at £10 10s.





Hammocks and Chairs.

Immense strides have been made in the comfort and appearance of garden chairs and hammocks; witnesses to this fact may be encountered in the garden furniture department at Harrods. There is the chair on the left above, rightly christened the Ritz. It has a fully sprung seat and raised front edge for knee support. The sliding seat allows for any position from upright to full-length recline, with luxurious comfort at every conceivable angle; it is 48s. On the right is another model for 16s. 6d. Among its many advantages is that it is extremely easy to fold and has three position adjustments; they may be altered by the occupant when seated. The American Glyder Hammock at the base of the group solves the problem of space, for although it swings and glides attractively, it occupies little ground-space. The cretonnes used are modern in character and the colour schemes are of great beauty, being in complete harmony with their sylvan surroundings.

Gardeners and Their Needs.

There are many accessories of which the amateur gardener is not cognisant; they are discussed in Harrods' interesting brochure entitled "Garden Needs." Pictured in the centre of this page is the Garden Grip stool for weeding; it is 22s. 6d., and is endowed with the very useful and important feature of gripping the person seated by virtue of the natural springing action of the cane sides; therefore the gardener can move about while weeding without having to touch the stool in any way. The receptacle at the side may be used for bass, scissors, etc. The "White Knight" gardening apron is as popular as ever, and is now 15s. 6d.



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TAXATION AND THE INVESTOR. E VERYONE is agreed that the City showed

amazing calmness and equanimity under the unexpected shock administered to the stock markets by

the increase of threepence in the income-tax. It was among those most closely connected with industry that the worst apprehensions were expressed as to the effect of this unwelcome addition to the burdens of enterprise. They feared that industry, with more than enough difficulties already in its way, in the shape of rising prices of materials at home and tariffs exchange restrictions abroad, might feel that this extra turn of the income-tax screw might prove to be something like the last straw on the camel's back, and have a really serious effect on the courage

of those who have to supply the driving-power. When it was objected that industry has, on the whole, been doing remarkably well in the last two years in the matter of profits, and can well stand a little extra sacrifice in the cause of national defence, the answer of these pessimists was that that may be true of many prosperous enterprises, but that a considerable number of concerns which were just struggling back from lossmaking to profit - making would be shoved back into the mire by a ruthless Chancellor of the Exchequer. But this dismal argument seems to omit the very relevant fact that incometax is only charged on profits. Such enterprises do no more than meet

their expenses have no net income to be taxed. Those that have an income are not going to leave off earning it because a slightly larger proportion of it is taken by the tax-gatherer. This is not to imply that income-tax does not matter and makes no difference to the pace of industry. That is far from being so. But its effect is chiefly psychological—any relief that can be given makes the organisers of business feel more cheerful and contented, and so urges them to spin the wheels more briskly. Any addition tends to remind them that they always play a losing game against the Treasury—when they make profits it takes a big toll; but when they make losses, loss is all theirs.

THE MARKET BAROMETER.

Judging by the behaviour of the stock markets, however, the present temper of industry is so confident that it is prepared to ignore the slight increase in the closeness with which it is to be shorn. It knows that in spite of all the disturbance and apprehension inflicted on the world by the war-lords of the Continent and the vagaries of American policy, British recovery has gone steadily forward in the home market and has made fair progress abroad;

and it is not going to be checked now because the Chancellor of the Exchequer is once more showing that cautious prudence which has exasperated many of his followers and several distinguished theorists, but has been, in the eyes of the average business man, more than justified by results. Consequently, instead of the stream of selling that would inevitably have upset markets if industrial leaders had felt that a trade set-back was on the way, there was merely a temporary marking-down of prices by dealers who wanted to protect themselves against the worst, and a quick recovery as soon as it was seen that little or no stock was coming to market. Influences which have given strength to markets through these last three troublous years were still there to act as an antidote to the disappointing

surprise inflicted by the Budget. Cheap money is still cheap and is evidently meant to be kept cheap— Cheap money is otherwise our cautious Chancellor would hardly have estimated for a further increase in the revenue from estate duties, bringing their expected total to the monstrous figure of £89 millions. This is itself a pretty plain tip, straight from the horse's mouth, that no set-back in security values, on which the yield from this tax so closely depends, is expected in official circles: and since official circles-the Treasury and the Bank of England-have a good deal to say to the dearness or cheapness of money, they are in the comfortable position of being able to make their forecasts come true. How far cheap money has helped revival is a matter about which economists differ; but, for what it is worth, we can, apparently, rely on it for another year; and all the other influences

that have helped industry and the stock markets

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are as strong as ever, gaining strength from their continuance.

A SIDE-EFFECT OF THE BUDGET.

Nevertheless, though the effect of the slight addition to taxation found necessary by Mr. Chamberlain seems likely to be negligible with regard to the progress of industry and the steadiness of security prices, it can hardly fail to make taxpayers all the more anxious to find investments of a kind that are likely to benefit by Government expenditure, and so to give back to the taxpayer, in dividends, some of the money that he has paid in taxes. Which means to say that, for what it is worth, that extra threepence on the income-tax will quicken still further

the tendency, so often referred to lately, to for-sake fixed-interest securities for the ordinary shares of promising industrials. The higher

the rate of income-tax, the less satisfying becomes the kind of invest-

ment which can be relied on to give its holder a fixed amount of money every half-year, but never shows him a chance of sharing in the increased incomes of those who are financing enterprise by taking its risks and sharing its prosperity when prosperity is in the picture. So this side-effect of the Budget is yet another argument for those investors who look for safety in "equities," backed by the prospect of increasing profits and dividends, due to the demands on business of the Government's many-sided programme. In anticipating such increases we have to

remember that the Government has, with general approval, expressed its determination to see that industry is not allowed to make immoderate profits out of national needs. But, as everyone knows, a larger and steadier turnover ables industry to effect economies in many directions, and so, without any attempt at putting up prices against the nation's demands, to show a more cheerful profit - and - loss Moreover, account. higher earnings of the manual workers, due to industrial expansion, will promote still further that well-spread purchasing power on which the prosperity of the home market been so soundly has based.

CAUTION NEEDED.

To genuine investors who put their own money into securities and hold them long enough to allow capital appreciation to tell, and who can also secure the necessary spread of risks by a widely diversified holding, this preference for equities over fixed-interest stocks seems likely to be a sound policy. But it must not be forgotten that every ordinary share, taken by itself, carries a risk of some kind, and that the upward tendency of markets, persistent as it has been in spite of a multiplicity of shocks, is not part of the scheme of the universe. When reactions of the universe. When reactions happen, the real investor very wisely sits still and waits for the upward movement to be resumed; or, if he is still wiser, he takes, if he can, the opportunity of increasing his holding of those of his securities which have stood up most bravely against the reaction. But those who work on borrowed money or make use of the Stock Exchange machinery of speculation are in a much less comfortable position; and certain indications have lately shown that the search for quick profits is becoming more popular, and that the lesson of the disastrous reaction in and after 1929 is being forgotten.

a reaction, we may fairly hope, is not likely ever to be seen again. But, as The Times lately observed in its City notes, "the risk of over-valuation of equities is always serious, especially in boom times, but that is a risk which the speculator runs, and from time to time he suffers losses as well as enjoys profits." As far as the amateur outside speculator is concerned, it is probable that the suffering of losses is a more normal experience than the enjoyment of profits. The professional operator, with inside information, is nearly always ahead of him and has skimmed the cream off markets before the tip has got round to the public, which comes in too late and is left to carry the baby. When these things happen, the real investor, with his well-spread holding of sound securities, can wait for the law of averages to reassert itself.



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THE CHRONICLE OF THE CAR.

N ATURALLY, the principal subject of motoring discussion at the moment centres about the announcement made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, during his Budget speech, that he intends to take from the Road Fund another £5,250,000, and, further, that he is to ask Parliament virtually to abolish the Fund, and appropriate the whole revenue derived from motor taxes to the general account. Of course, all the motoring bodies have already voiced their strong disapproval. The R.A.C. already voiced their strong disapproval. and the Road Federation regard it as the blow to the cause of road safety that has yet been dealt." The others are equally severe in their com-ments, and have expressed the intention to oppose the proposition by all and every means in their power. Which simply means that they will do a certain amount of lobbying, that there will be strong objections raised by the Parliamentary Road Group, and then,

all the steam having been let off, the Chancellor's proposals will be passed by the usual large majority.

If highway administration is to remain as it is now, then the abolition of the Road Fund, apart from being a violation of repeated pledges that all moneys derived from motor-car taxation should be devoted to highway purposes, is to be deplored. As the Fund exists and is administered to-day, its assets can be apportioned by the Minister of Transport as and when necessity arises, always subject, of course, to a certain amount of Treasury control. The total amount of money derived from the tax is, for Road Fund purposes, about £31,000,000 per annum, and this sum can be more or less directly allocated to county and other highway authorities at the dis-cretion of the Minister. The principal merit of its constitution seems to lie in the fact that the Minister can estimate with considerable accuracy the amount he will have at his disposal not only this year, but next year, and even the following one. He, unlike the heads of other great spending departments, does not need to prepare Estimates for submission to Par-liament, with the practical certainty that they will under Treasury censorship and that his Ministry will be cramped by a reduced vote. Obviously, while this constitution may incur a certain amount of criticism from the purists, it is practical,

and has worked well in the past. The tax from which its income is derived has been allocated by statute to a specific purpose—the construction and improvement of the roads-and to change the whole character of administration now seems to be a retrograde step, and a breach of all the undertakings that have been given by successive Ministers since the Road Fund was first instituted.

The future position will be that all the proceeds of motor taxation will go into the general pool, and that the Minister of Transport will have to face Parliament before every financial year with carefully prepared Estimates of expenditure for twelve months ahead. I do not think this is within practical bounds, so long as our highway system of administration remains as it is. As a matter of fact, there is no system. Highways administration, like Topsy, has simply "growed." Hence we see twenty-three, I think it is, separate and distinct bodies exercising control over the 100 miles of road between London and Birmingham. Each has its own ideas of how a main road ought to be maintained, and so we have as many different surfacing methods as there are authorities. There is no coherent plan of future construction. Obviously, it is impossible for there to be a single plan, and therefore it seems to follow that there can be no means of estimating for expenditure over the whole length of this road. And this is only a single example, and that not the worst in so far as this matter of multiple control is concerned.

If the present proposal to merge the motor taxes in general revenue had gone hand in hand with legislation setting up a central Ministry of Highways to take over control of all administration and construction, then a good many of the objections might disappear. If, for instance, this legislation not only set up such a new Ministry, but laid down, inter alia that the annual appropriation for its services should not, during the first three years of its existence, be less than the revenue of the motor tax for the current year, it might even be a good thing. I imagine that motoring opinion would be prepared to agree that the benefits accruing from a central, stabilised Ministry of Highways, with a continuous policy of new construction and improvement, would outweigh any of the arguments about broken pledges and the appropriation of Road Fund moneys to enable the Chancellor of the day to balance his Budget

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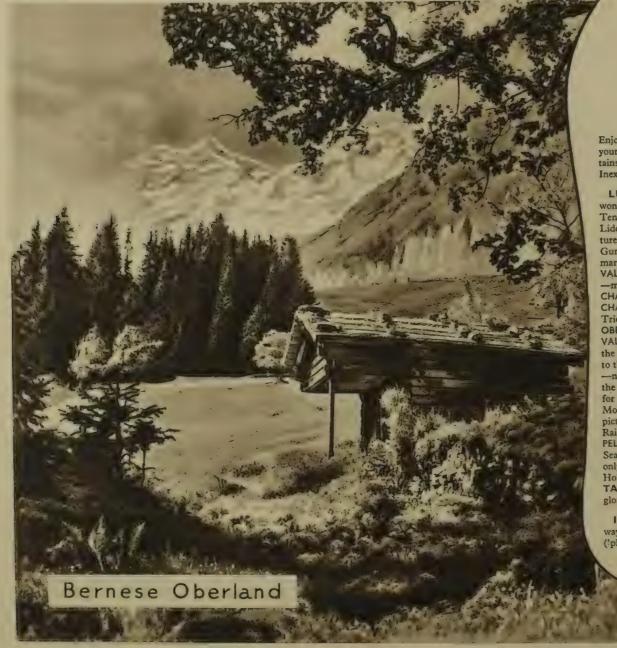
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That aristocrat among sporting encyclopædias, the Lonsdale Library, has reached its 22nd volume in "Deer, Hare and Otter Hunting." With forty-five Illustrations (Seeley, Service; 155.). Many experts have contributed to this authoritative book. Sir George Thursby writes on deer-hunting in the New Forest; Colonel W. W. Wiggin about stag-hunting on Exmoor; and Major E. W. Shackle on hunting the carted stag. Mr. C. B. Shepherd deals with beagling; Miss Ena Adams with bassethounds; the Earl of Stradbroke with harriers, and Major-General Geoffrey Brooke with drag-hunting. The Earl of Coventry describes the otter and its habits sympathetically, while six chapters on otter-hunting are provided by Captain L. C. R. Cameron, who also contributes a section on stoathunting with beagles. Besides a great wealth of practical information, this book contains much good reading matter of an anecdotal type. an anecdotal type.

Nature study as distinct from sport is represented in several fascinating books. There is a necessary element of killing, however, in one describing a jungle country with dangerous beasts and reptiles, such as "GLIMPSES OF THE WILD." An Observer's-Notes and Anecdotes on the Wild Life of Assam. By Lieut.-Colonel H. S. Wood, I.M.S. Illustrated from Sketches and Photographs (Witherby; 8s. 6d.). Though rough on crocodiles and centipedes, the author has a kindly feeling towards living things in general. "If we were all like St. Francis of Assisi in nature," he writes, "we could make friends of any bird, reptile, or animal in this beautiful world, for they seem to respond more to kindness or affection than many human beings." He himself has had several such friendships, notably those with a little Hooluk (or Howling Monkey) and with a bird pet, Bobby the Bulbul. Nature study as distinct from sport is represented in

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THE PLAYHOUSES.

"THE SHADOW," AT THE PLAYHOUSE.

MIDDLE-AGED provincial solicitor, spending A an illicit night in a London hotel with the pretty wife of a local magnate, observes on his blind the shadow of a tall man slinking furtively to the room of an extremely "orchidaceous" lady. By devious routes the lovers return home, to learn on their arrival that a sensational murder was committed on the night of their stay at the hotel. A hall porter, under middle height, has been accused of the murder. The problem is whether they shall let an innocent man hang, or, to save him, ruin their own reputations. The solicitor is perfectly willing that the man should hang; the erring wife has scruples, however, partly for the reason that she happens to be in love with

the partner of her escapade, and sees in the confession of their sin an opportunity for them to start a new life together. When the solicitor rather bluntly that what was love to her was nothing more than a jolly week-end to him, she is deeply wounded. The author handles this situation remarkably well. The solicitor is not made cad enough to lose the sympathy of the audience, and his love for his young daughter, for whose sake he dreads the thought of scandal, is well brought out. Mr. H. F. Maltby gave the best performance of the evening as a warm-hearted vulgarian, and Miss Ruby Miller made a glamorous appearance for a few moments as the lady who was too soon to be murdered.

"THE GREAT EXPERIMENT," AT THE ST. MARTIN'S.

This play is unique in that it combines mathematics with dramatics. It so held the interest that an audience which had obviously long forgotten the difference between Higher Mathematics and Lower Form Mathematics made desperate efforts to appreciate how it would be possible for scientists as far apart as the Earth and Mars to evolve a common language. It says much for Mr. John Hoare, the author, and Mr. Arthur Wontner, as the actor, that most of the first interval was happily occupied by

members of the audience explaining to each other "how really easy it was once one knew." There are definite thrills when one sees Mr. Wontner first make contact with Mars; moments when one realises that the sudden harnessing of atomic energy, desirable enough, doubtless, in itself, would bring ruin for a generation on all connected with coal, oil, and electric industries. There is an impressive moment when it is thought that the Sermon on the Mount is being preached again on Mars in this very year of A.D. 1936, and the suggestion of a sudden religious revival throughout the world as a consequence is cleverly conveyed. Even experienced first-nighters were startled by the dramatic finale, and future audiences would do well to prepare themselves for something explosive at the fall of the curtain. It is finely produced and well acted, particularly by Mr. Abraham Sofaer.

THE WORLD OF MUSIC.

THE OPENING OF THE COVENT GARDEN OPERA SEASON.

THE Grand Opera Season had a splendid beginning

at Covent Garden on Monday night, with a fine performance of "Die Meistersinger," conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham. Sir Thomas's well-known desire for punctuality has evidently made a great impression upon the musical public of London since although public of London, since, although the opera began at 6.30, and there was no dinner interval, everybody in the stalls was in his or her seat when the overture began. The performance was notable for its smoothness, and Sir Thomas seemed to be showing more consideration for the singers than he has done as a rule in the past.

Rudolf Bockelmann was in his old part of Hans Sachs; he is probably the finest Hans Sachs living, and his performance on this occasion had the mellowness and subtlety characteristic of this fine artist's interpretation of the rôle. His singing of the famous "Wahn, wahn, überall wahn" in the third act was particularly beautiful. A new Eva, Tiana Lemnitz, who comes from the Beautin State Opera, made a very favourable impression, having an excellent presence and, in addition, a voice of attractive quality. The Beckmesser, Karl August Neumann, who comes to London from the State Opera Houses of Leipzig and Berlin, gave a more subdued and less farcical interpretation of the part than we have been accustomed to at Covent Garden, and his performance had many good points. The Veit Pogner of Ludwig Weber and the Kothner of Herbert Janssen were both excellent. Two British artists, Margery Booth (Magdalena) and Heddle Nash (David), were admirable in the parts. The chorus had been well trained, and altogether this production is one of the best we have had at Covent Garden of "Die Meistersinger" for some time. The new cyclorama is a very great addition to the scenic resources of the theatre, and the scene of the street in Nuremberg in Act II. was a great improvement on what we have seen at Covent Garden in the past.

The audience was unusually large, as all the boxes were exceptionally well filled; while there was not a spare seat to be seen in the stalls. In spite of the excellence of the production, however, I fancy I detected a slight waning of enthusiasm among the perfect Wagnerites for this famous opera. In my opinion, the first act constitutes one of the most formidable trials of endurance any opera-lover can be asked to undergo. think even the most frenzied Wagnerians among musicians will deny that this is so. But, of course, the second act brings its full compensation: from that point to the end there is no lack of things to enjoy, given performance of this quality. W. J. TURNER. of this quality.



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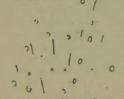
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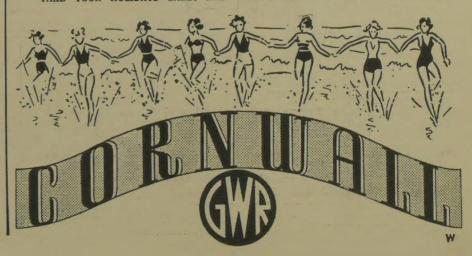
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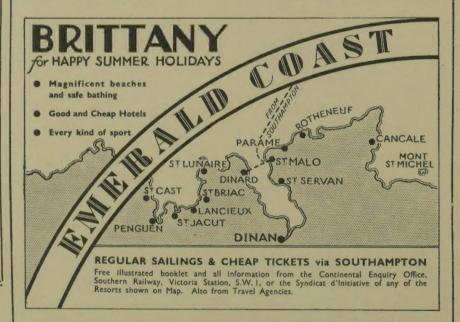


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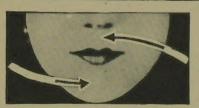
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